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Zaheer Abbas sparkles
 A stylish knock by Zaheer Abbas enabled Pakistan take a 46-run lead over Australia with four wickets in hand on an incident-marred third day of the first cricket Test in Karachi. An irate crowd forced suspension of play twice and peace was finally restored only after the police intervened. — Page 13.

Sino-Soviet parleys
 British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher confirms after three days of talks with Chinese leaders that new Sino-Soviet contacts would take place early next month. — Page 16.

Israeli plot
 The assassination of Lebanese President-elect Bashir Gemayel, the thrust of Israeli troops deep into West Beirut and the massacres committed by Lebanese Christian militiamen against Palestinian civilians with Israel's support, have once again brought back the atmosphere of terror in Beirut and Lebanon as a whole. Gemayel's murder and the slaughter of Palestinians are seen as a link in the vast chain of the plot Israel and its supporters are trying to implement in order to keep Lebanon an "open front" for strife and disintegration. See full report written by Abdul Karim Aboulnasr, editor in chief of the London-based *Al-Majalla* magazine, a sister publication of *Arab News*, on page 6.

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Publishers' message

Let's end the war of slogans!

There can never be peace between us and the state of Israel. One of the two things has to happen: either the Arab land swamps Israel or the latter grabs part of this land and annexes it to fatten its belly. One can see that Israel has already transformed into a vast territory amidst an Arab mass, so stagnant, so brackish!

One will only be naive if one thinks that the Jews are for peace. The Zionist state, with its size, population and the peace about which it brags, could never be more than a tiny state. But it has been waging wars claiming that these bellicose activities are meant to provide "security" for its settlers. Under this pretext the state of Israel has been expanding in the heart of the Arab world every day.

Israel has invaded South Lebanon alleging strafing of its settlements by Palestinians. Tomorrow, when it annexes this part of Lebanon and builds fresh settlements there, and when the Lebanese government tries to recover its land, Israel would show its true color and occupy some other areas and build new settlements. This occupation process will continue until it swallows the whole of Lebanon.

The same will be repeated in the case of Jordan also as it will pose a threat to the Israeli settlements on the occupied West Bank. Israel will find some excuse to invade Jordan and annex it. Then alleging threats from Syria and Iraq, it will try to reach the Euphrates.

In the south, the Jews (poor as they are!) who have "populated" Gaza by building settlements and transforming it into a "heaven," will feel a fresh threat from Egypt and try to occupy it for the "security" of "peaceful" Jews from the Egyptian "bloodsuckers". Its armies will march on to reach the Nile.

Isn't this the state of Israel, from the Nile to the Euphrates, the Jews have dreamt? Isn't the map defined and suspended on the wall of the Israeli Knesset, challenging our very existence? Haven't the Arabs heard the Jewish oath that says: "From the Nile to the Euphrates... O Israel! this is your state?"

While all this is the true picture before our eyes, we ignore our enemy and persist in our differences, forgetting that our own rift is rending us apart, plucking out the eyes of our children, ripping open the bellies of our expectant women, destroying the energies of our young men and fighters and threatening our funds and resources. We are simply milking the ant, tilling the sea, building castles on the sands and are just fighting a war of slogans!

In these circumstances, it must be binding on us to remember Allah's commands: "Bind yourselves with the rope of Allah and be not disunited. Remember Allah's blessing on you, for you were enemies (amongst yourselves) and He united you. So, with His blessing, you became brethren. You were on the brink of fire (ruin) but He rescued you from it. Thus, Allah shows you His marvels in order that you take onto the right path and, from amongst you, emerges a nation that calls for good, counsels virtue and proscribes vice. Only such people shall be successful. Become not like those who got disunited and differed (even) after the evidences came unto them. For such people, there shall be a great punishment."

Allah alone can grant us success and guide us onto the right path. "We are for Allah and unto Him shall we return."

— Hisham and Muhammad Ali Hafiz

By Kuwait journalists

Total U.S. boycott urged

KUWAIT, Sept. 24 (AP) — Kuwaiti journalists demanded Thursday that Arab governments enforce "total boycott against American interests in the Arab world for its support to Israel in the massacre of Palestinians in West Beirut."

A statement issued after a sitdown strike at the Society of Journalists said the boycott should be "political and economic, inclusive of the withdrawal of Arab bank deposits from the United States." The statement also demanded formation of "an inter-Arab emergency force to protect the lives of Palestinians against a recurrence of the Beirut massacre."

Other demands included an international committee to investigate the massacre and "opening all Arab borders to Palestinian military action against Israel."

Meanwhile, more Arab-Americans marched in a candlelight procession in Buffalo, New York, to protest the massacre of refugees in Beirut last week, while four Jewish activists were arrested during a protest in San Francisco.

The march in Buffalo Wednesday followed a demonstration in which protesters wearing black arm bands unfurled Lebanon and the Palestine Liberation Organization flags. Some adults carried a large casket while children carried a small coffin to symbolize the children slain in the massacre with U.S. weapons.

In San Francisco, police arrested four American Jews Wednesday and evicted them from the Israeli consulate during a protest of the massacre. They were accused of trespassing and disturbing the peace in alleged disruption of consulate business. The group marched with placards. One said, "End U.S. aid to Israel."

In Milan, Italy, several hundred people, including Jews, staged a sit-in Thursday in front of the Israeli Consulate to protest the massacre. "War criminals, assassins," several placards carried by the protesters read in Italian and Hebrew.

A pamphlet distributed by some of the protesters said they belonged to the Zionist Federation of Milan. The pamphlet said the slaughter "is the inevitable conclusion of the invasion of Lebanon."

Several protesters chanted for the recognition of the PLO as the legitimate representative of the Palestinian people.

In Caracas, Venezuela, leftist political parties are putting pressure on the Venezuelan government to break diplomatic relations with Israel and officially recognize the PLO. Leaders of the Movement Toward Socialism (MAS), the People's Electoral Movement (MEP), the Leftist Revolutionary Movement (MLR), and the new alternative party sent their demands in a letter to Venezuelan President Luis Herrera Campins Wednesday, a

MAS spokesman said. The four parties said Israeli ties should be broken because of the "barbarism perpetrated by the Israeli army in Lebanon."

Trampling on the American and Israeli flags, about 200 Iranian students marched on downtown Manila Friday in a demonstration protesting the massacre of Palestinians. Dressed in black and followed by three police patrol cars, the marchers interspersed chants of "Down with Israel," "Down with Reagan," and "Down with Russia" with readings from the Qur'an.

They said the two-hour march was a "funeral march" for the victims of "Israeli criminals" and the "result of (U.S. President Ronald) Reagan's human rights policy." The

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Reagan to reward Tel Aviv

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (Agencies) — The Reagan administration is trying to reward its Middle East ally with increased military and economic aid and has sought \$2.5 billion from Congress to bail out Israel from the financial crisis it faces because of the Lebanon invasion.

But the Senate Appropriations Committee, taking into consideration the widespread criticism of the merciless slaughter of thousands of Palestinian refugees in West Beirut by the Israelis with American-provided weapons, has postponed consideration of the proposals till November. "The situation in the Middle East is such that we feel some more time should elapse before we consider the total Middle East package," said the subcommittee chairman Sen. Bob Kasten, a Wisconsin Republican.

President Ronald Reagan and his advisers are aware that urgent military and economic aid only can sustain the Israeli war machine which is still in Lebanon. This delay by the appropriations committee has embarrassed

America blocks ally's ouster

VIENNA, Sept. 24 (Agencies) — The United States and its allies Friday helped Israel to continue as a member of the International Atomic Energy Agency by blocking a suspension of the state on the concluding day of the agency's annual general conference.

A two-thirds majority was needed for the suspension and 43 states voted for it, 27 others opposing. The total was four votes short of the 47 needed to suspend Israel. The Soviet Bloc, Arab and African countries favored ousting the Israelis. But the United States and its allies voted against the motion to help Israel. Egypt was one of the 16 states which abstained.

Twelve countries had introduced the resolution Thursday, accusing Israel of

Fahd replies to greetings

JEDDAH, Sept. 24 (SPA) — King Fahd has replied to several cables of greetings received from various leaders and heads of state on the occasion of the Kingdom's National Day.

The monarch expressed thanks and wishes of prosperity and progress to the leaders of Britain, India, Ireland, South Korea, Pakistan, Sharjah, Sri Lanka, Turkey, the U.S. and West Germany.

Sept. 23 marked the 51st anniversary of the Kingdom's National Day. King Fahd has canceled all forms of celebrations in mourning for the victims of the Beirut massacre committed by Israel and its allies.

them. But they are confident that ultimately the amount would be voted. Last year, Israel was granted \$2.2 billion.

Israel is the largest recipient of U.S. aid by far. The subcommittee had been scheduled to consider increases of \$200 million to \$300 million in new military grants and another \$125 million in additional economic help to cover interest on old U.S. loans.

The foreign aid bill for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1 also included assistance to Egypt, Jordan and Lebanon. "With the passage of time," Kasten said, "we expect that we will have a better idea of what the overall requirements are and the political situation will be one in which calm and rational decisions can be made."

The action will not end aid to Israel or to the other countries, which will be continued under a stopgap appropriations measure now moving through Congress. In fact, Israel may wind up with an increase, depending on how conflicting Senate and House versions of the bill are resolved.

"genocide perpetrated against the Palestinian people." The resolution also reflected fears that Israel is developing nuclear arms. It called on all members of the 110-country agency "to release all information in their possession concerning the Israeli nuclear armament program."

Israel is one of four countries which have been criticized for refusing to let agency inspectors into their nuclear plants and laboratories. The resolution also condemned the Israeli bombing of an Iraqi nuclear research center in June, 1981.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin at the time accused Iraq of working on atomic weapons, but agency inspectors had visited the plant before the bombing and said they saw no signs of weapons development.

Wazzan cabinet tenders resignation

BEIRUT, Sept. 24 (AP) — Lebanese Prime Minister Shafiq Wazzan tendered the resignation of his 21-man cabinet to newly invested Lebanese President Amin Gemayel at mid-morning after two years and 11 months in office.

Gemayel, 40, a Maronite Christian who was sworn in as Lebanon's eighth post-independence president, Thursday, asked Wazzan to stay on in a caretaking capacity until a new cabinet is formed, according to the radio. The resignation was offered under the terms of the Lebanese constitution, which stipulates that the reigning government should resign upon the investiture of a new president to give him a free hand to choose his own team in power.

There was no indication yet as to whom Gemayel would designate as his new prime minister. Under the nation's 1943 national covenant, the president should be Maronite Christian, the premier a Sunni Muslim and the parliament speaker a Shiite Muslim.

Almost all nationalist Muslim groupings that fought alongside the Palestine Liberation Organization against a Christian

coalition led by Gemayel's Phalangist Party during the 1975-76 civil war declared support for Gemayel's regime.

In separate statements issued Friday, various nationalist groups praised Gemayel's inaugural speech as a sound basis for a Muslim-Christian national reconciliation and pledged unreserved cooperation with the new president. The only exception was the Mourabitoun, or ambushers, who fielded the largest Muslim militia during the civil war and who were disbanded by the Israeli occupation army. A Mourabitoun statement said the organization led by Ibrahim Kokeilat cannot cooperate with any regime under Israeli occupation.

Gemayel ignored Israel altogether in his inaugural address. Instead, he asserted that Lebanon would seek to foster its relations with its Arab neighbors and uphold its Arab League membership. He also pledged to strengthen the Lebanese Army to an extent that it would be capable of establishing state authority on every meter of 10,452-square-

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Judge unwilling to probe killings

TEL AVIV, Sept. 24 (Agencies) — Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin Friday gave in to widespread domestic pressure and assigned Supreme Court President Yitzhak Kahane to head an investigation into last week's massacre of Palestinian refugees in West Beirut. But Kahane said he did not "for the moment" want the job, Israeli state radio reported.

Kahane told Justice Minister Moshe Nisim, who brought him notice of the assignment from the government, that he first wanted "details of the investigating committee's legal structure," the radio said. The government had named him to the post during a special session Friday.

The Peace Now Movement and the leftist Shinoui Party had asked Kahane to refuse, charging that "the Israeli cabinet preferred to use this procedure (the uncontested moral authority of a judge) rather than ask for the official constitution of an inquiry commission, thus ducking its responsibilities."

Supreme Court Justice Shlomo Levine summoned the government's legal adviser to explain why the "cabinet chose not to set up an inquiry commission in good and due form."

Under Israeli law, an inquiry commission has wider jurisdiction than Kahane would and would be able to hear witnesses under oath and hand out sentences of up to seven years for perjury. Kahane would be able to name one or two assistants to aid in the investigation.

Some observers said the appointment of the supreme court president was aimed at disarming the opposition. After the 1973 October war, the Labor government appointed the then Supreme Court President Shimon Agranat to head an inquiry into allegations of unpreparedness in armed forces. Military Head of Staff Gen. David Elazar was forced to resign when the committee presented its report. Then Defense Minister Gen. Moshe Dayan ignored calls to resign, and Prime Minister Golda Meir supported him. But when Yitzhak Rabin formed a new government in June that year, he dropped Gen. Dayan from the cabinet.

The Begin government has been buried recently under an avalanche of revelations in the Israeli press charging that army officials knew, as of Thursday last week, that a massacre was taking place in the camps.

The government has also been deluged by resignations, the most spectacular of which was that of Gen. Amram Mitzna from the command of the school of high military studies.

Israeli state radio said Defense Minister Ariel Sharon did not attend the cabinet meeting Friday as he was at a parliamentary foreign affairs and Defense Ministry committee hearing on the massacre.

Army official quits in Israel

TEL AVIV, Sept. 24 (AP) — The head of the Israeli Army's Staff College, Brig. Gen. Amram Mitzna, asked to be relieved of his post and put on leave Thursday in protest of the Beirut massacre, the military command announced.

He was the first senior officer to take such personal action after the slaughter last week of hundreds of Palestinian refugees in Israeli-occupied West Beirut. A terse communique issued late Thursday said Mitzna made the request to the military chief of staff, Lt. Gen. Raphael Eytan, "in consequence of the events of recent days in Beirut."

The statement said Eytan met with Mitzna and arranged for him to meet with Defense Minister Ariel Sharon Friday. It did not say whether Eytan agreed to relieve Mitzna of his post.

It did not specifically mention the mass murder in the Shatila and Sabra refugee camps in the Muslim sector of the war-ravaged Lebanese capital. There also was no mention of the political firestorm in Tel Aviv over Prime Minister Menachem Begin's refusal to launch an immediate independent inquiry into the massacre. Energy Minister Yitzhak Mordechai and Menachem Milson, the first civilian administrator of the occupied West Bank, resigned Wednesday over the issue.

Last month, Col. Eli Geva quit his post as armored brigade commander for fear he would be ordered to take troops into Beirut, which he said his conscience would not allow him to do.

Invaders irritate French unit

BEIRUT, Sept. 24 (R) — French Marines and paratroopers, vanguard of a revived three-nation peace force, came ashore in Beirut Friday into a dispute over the unexpected presence of Israeli troops at the dockside.

The Israelis could be seen in three troop carriers and a squad of jeeps as the red-bellied French soldiers landed from their troopship. French officers were clearly taken aback. The Israelis had earlier promised to vacate the port area. French Ambassador Paul Marc Henry held a frosty exchange with the colonel leading the Israelis and elicited a pledge that the detachment, apart from a medical team, would be withdrawn.

The ambassador told an Israeli major: "You stay on your side and we'll stay on our side (of the port)." A handful of the 350 French soldiers stayed in the port to prepare for the arrival of American and Italian troops, all brought back to protect civilians after last week's massacre of Palestinian refugees in West Beirut. The rest of the French contingent took up positions near the residence of the French ambassador.

At lunchtime, a small group of Israelis in troop carriers were still on the "rings of the western port area, tucked discreetly behind a wall."

Diplomatic sources described the positioning of Israeli troops during the arrival of the multinational force as a highly delicate issue. The sources said the French and Italian governments did not wish their troops to encounter Israeli soldiers while taking up positions in West Beirut. This is the area once controlled by Palestinian and nationalist militias.

The Israelis invaded it last week after the assassination of President-elect Bashir Gemayel and took charge of the area where Christian right-wing militiamen later massacred hundreds of Palestinians in the Shatila and Sabra refugee camps. The Israelis have promised to vacate West Beirut not later than Sunday.

The multinational force is on an open-ended assignment in Lebanon, unlike its previous mission in August, which was limited to policing the evacuation from Beirut of PLO commandos. The French ambassador told reporters: "Our troops will stay until peace and security is established in the whole of Beirut. We will work with the Italian and United States contingents and stay as long as required."

Asked about cooperating with the Israelis, the envoy replied: "If we have to cooperate, we will."

Sharon calls for probe

TEL AVIV, Sept. 24 (AFP) — Defense Minister Ariel Sharon Friday called for an inquiry into the Labor government's role in the 1976 massacre of 3,000 Palestinians at Tel-El-Zaatar by Lebanese forces while the camp was surrounded by the Syrian Army.

Sharon called for the probe during questioning by a parliamentary committee over the Israeli Army's role in the killings of Palestinian refugees at the Sabra and Shatila camps last week.

"I am willing to supply the necessary documents regarding the Labor governments ties with the Phalangists (Lebanese Christian Conservative Militia) before, during and after Tel-El-Zaatar," Sharon said.

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Islamic activities get boost in Australia

Saudi Arabia helps build 35 mosques

By Suresh Shah
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Sept. 24 — Islamic activities in Australia have received a great encouragement from Saudi Arabia and nearly 35 mosques have been built recently with the assistance of the Kingdom, where only two or three existed seven years ago, according to Dr. Muhammad Akram Mian, secretary of the Australian Federation of Islamic Council

(AFIC), Sydney.

Mian arrived here as leader of a four-member Hajj mission from Australia at the invitation from the Kingdom. Other members of the mission are Asif Saleem (mission secretary), Muhammad Omari and Husyn Boz.

Dr. Mian told *Arab News* his organization had received donations from late King Khalid for full time, non-governmental Islamic schools in Australia. One such

school will come up in Melbourne by February 1983 and another one in Sydney soon thereafter. They have received total donations of \$2.5 million from certain countries, but Saudi Arabia is in the forefront, he added.

The total Muslim population in Australia is estimated around 300,000 and represents nearly 55 Islamic communities. About 90,000 of them are Lebanese; 30,000 Yugoslav and 20,000 Albanian. They are all bonded by the "biggest culture of Islam", he said.

Mission secretary Asif Saleem said AFIC is the only organization of its type in Australia, which represents them in the country and overseas. "We are very thankful the Saudi Arabia for all assistance and support it gives us for the cause of Islam," he added. Two years before only about 20 pilgrims came from Australia, this year it is expected to be over 1,000.

Dr. Mian said Arabic language is being established at the Sydney University and "we are also trying for it at the Canberra University as well." His organization organizes Islamic youth training centers in Australia. The biggest is in December, when young boys and girls leave their parents and are put there in charge of scholars, he added.

No pet meat exported to Kingdom

By Suresh Shah

JEDDAH, Sept. 24 — Australian meat exports to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Malaysia and certain other countries do not consist of kangaroo, buffalo, donkey or horse, meat meant for pet food according to Australian Hajj mission secretary Asif Saleem. Referring to the Australian government report in this regard, he told *Arab News* these irregularities were noticed mainly in the meat exports to the United States and Japan, from where the complaints were received.

He said Saudi Arabia has given our organization the responsibility of certifying all meat imports from Australia. "We have our local Muslim supervisors to keep a check that meat fulfills our religious requirements," he said anyone can come and inspect the cleanliness and the system of Hajj.

Mission leader Dr. Muhammad Akram Mian said that these supervisors see that meat exported to the Kingdom and other Muslim countries has been slaughtered and prepared in accordance with Muslim religious requirements.

KAAIA received over 600,000 pilgrims

JEDDAH, Sept. 24 (SPA) — More than 600,000 pilgrims arrived by air at Jeddah's new King Abdul Aziz Airport this year, 75,000 less than during the same period last year. An average 95-100 pilgrim planes arrived every day this year, Zuhair Farid Sindi, the airport's director said here Friday.

The Interior Ministry released statistics Friday afternoon about the number of pilgrims who arrived in Saudi Arabia to date. It said that 853,555 arrived from abroad, showing a 25,813 decrease (3.03 percent) over the same period last year. The statistics showed that 174,395 pilgrims arrived by road (919 more than last year).

The report indicated that certain nationalities came to greater number, while others diminished. For example 14,501 more pilgrims came from Egypt, to bring to 48,408 the total number of pilgrims who arrived so far from that country. Some 89,503 pilgrims arrived from Iran (an increase of 14,112 over last year). Turkey, North Yemen, Pakistan, Algeria and

Malaysia also sent more pilgrims. Among the ones on the decrease are the pilgrims from Nigeria, Iraq, Indonesia, Syria, Libya and Niger. The report was released by Interior Minister Prince Naif.

Sindi said that the difference between this year and last year is that the latter was a transitional or experimental phase for the new airport, whereas this year the shortcomings of last year were taken into consideration and remedied and everything went smooth in cooperation with all government departments concerned with Hajj.

The official pointed out that the pilgrim Kingdom denies Tehran Radio report

JEDDAH, Sept. 24 (SPA) — An official Saudi Arabian spokesman Friday dismissed as baseless and absolutely untrue reports by Tehran Radio that Iranian pilgrims went on a hunger strike at the Haram Mosque today and that club-wielding police dispersed them by using tear gas.

terminal this year was working 24 hours out of 24. Last year it worked only between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. He said many new facilities have now gone into operation, including a medical center and places for the pilgrims to wash before prayers. Information and interpretation personnel strength has been increased and there is a free shuttle service between the pilgrim terminal and the North Terminal (for foreign airlines). More than 300 maintenance workers have been hired on a temporary basis for the pilgrim terminal together with 25 technicians to look after the airport tower and monitor ticketing operations.

The spokesman said that what actually happened was already explained in a previous Interior Ministry statement, namely that Iranian people massed at Al-Jawdareyyah at Makkah opposite the buildings that house some Iranian pilgrims and were dispersed by policemen.



HAIJ CLEANLINESS: Arabian Cleaning Enterprises (ACE) has stepped up its refuse collection and pest control service to cope with the influx of an additional two million people in the city during the Hajj period. The areas receiving attention are the Hajj buildings at the old airport, Jeddah Port area, the souk and the Corniche, where additional sweeping teams have been pressed into service and also to carryout daily spraying for pest and rodent control. Extra workers and refuse containers have been placed in the areas most populated by pilgrims to keep them constantly clean and to prevent any health problems.

For Riyadh Diplomatic Quarter SR1 b. facilities developed

By A Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Sept. 24 — The High Executive Committee for Projects of Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Diplomatic Quarters has already spent a total of SR1 billion so far for development of infrastructural facilities, planning, design and construction for the Riyadh Diplomatic Quarter.

According to the latest issue of the *Saudi Business*, the stage has now been set for the construction of some 40 public facilities, with the virtual completion of infrastructure at the site.

The committee has recently awarded contracts worth about SR150 million for the construction of nine kindergartens and extensive landscaping. A design contract for a community center, the last of the 40 superstructure facilities planned for the first phase of the quarter's development, is likely to be awarded in the next couple of weeks, it added.

The construction contract, worth SR39.9 million, for nine kindergartens was won by Kuk Dong Construction Co. of Korea. The extensive landscaping contract of SR102.7

million has been won by a Riyadh-based national company, Eastern Corporation for Trading, Construction and Industry, Saud-consult, another national company was awarded the design contract for a fire station and police station.

The community center will be built on an area of 30,000 sq. meters, half of which will be built-up and the other half used for parking and landscaping. The center will have multi-purpose hall, theater, exhibition hall, seminar rooms, assembly hall, club, hobby workshops, youth club, coffee shop, maintenance and administrative offices.

The committee will be awarding construction contracts for the remaining superstructure projects in the coming three to four months and these include: Riyadh Diplomatic Club; Friday Mosque; library; government services complex; sports club; four neighborhood mosques; 10 secondary, intermediate and elementary schools; and intensive landscaping.

Two more projects, a 100-bed medical center and a nine-hole golf course, are still in the planning stage, according to the spokesman for the committee.

AGFUND will map strategies

RIYADH, Sept. 24 — A two-day meeting of AGFUND will be held in Abu Dhabi on Oct. 5 and 6 to review the activities of the seven-member Gulf Organization and map out future strategies. The meeting, being convened under the chairmanship of Prince Talal ibn Abdul Aziz, preside of AGFUND, will also decide on the allocation of funds to be channeled to UNICEF, for which Prince Talal is the special envoy.

Apart from representatives of the seven participating states (Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, UAE, Qatar, Iraq, Bahrain and Oman), the talks will be attended by James B. Grant, UNICEF executive director, Sabah Alawi, UNICEF representative in Riyadh, told *Arab News*.

Alawi said the rehabilitation of Lebanon will be one of the subjects which will hold the attention of the participants. Other subjects will include the funding of UNICEF projects such as sanitation, health care programs for women and children, women's education and literacy in the Third World.

Alawi said UNICEF's fund raising drive got a shot in the arm thanks to King Fahd, who pitched in \$6 million for its emergency fund and rehabilitation program for Lebanon. Prince Talal also helped to swell contributions, Alawi said. "These contributions encouraged other states to come forward with donations which contributed effectively to UNICEF activities under the most trying circumstances," he added.

Oteiba praises GCC oil role

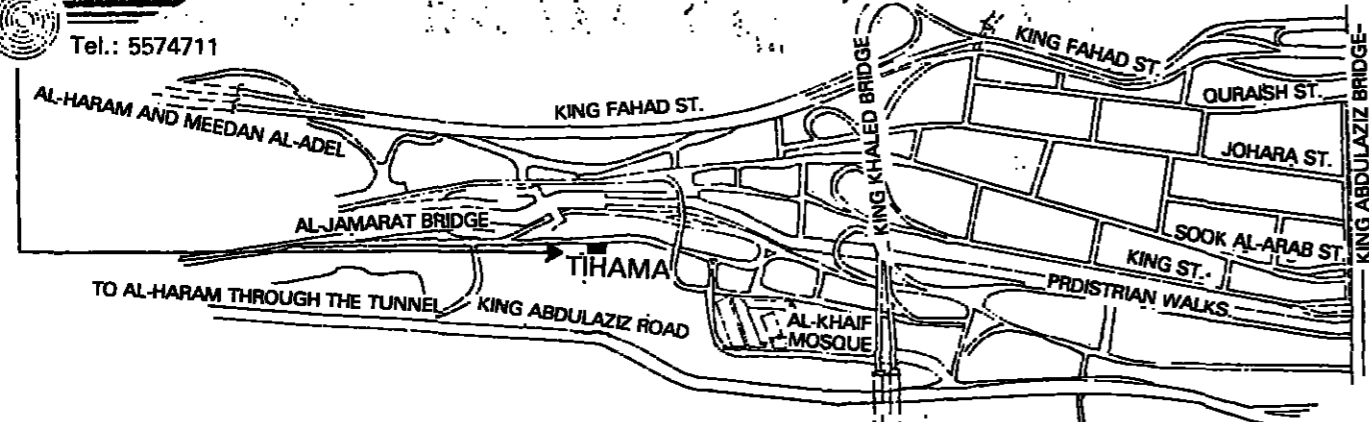
KUWAIT, Sept. 24 (SPA) — The rise of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) has led to a coordinated oil policy among the Gulf states, UAE Petroleum and Mineral Resources Minister Mana Said Al-Oteiba said Friday.

In an interview with *Al-Anbass* Dr. Oteiba expressed hope that the GCC countries would pass the current coordination phase on oil policy to a joint work stage covering almost all petroleum fields.

He also expressed hope that the international market would be given an opportunity to get rid of its crisis.

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Pilgrimage underway Schedule amended, everything planned

JEDDAH, Sept. 24 (SPA) — The first schedule for the movement of pilgrims was re-endorsed Wednesday night after the Higher Judiciary Council announced that this month Dhul Hajjah began Saturday as testified by witnesses who saw the moon Friday night. Pilgrims' ascent to Arafat will be on Sunday, and Eidul Adha on Monday.

The schedule was amended earlier Wednesday as the judiciary council announced that the first day of Dhul Hajjah was Sunday since no sightings had been reported.

King Fahd has instructed Makkah Governor Prince Majed and his deputy Prince Saud bin Abdul Mohsen to conduct inspection tours of government departments to check services rendered to pilgrims and urged officials to double their efforts.

The 'ascension plan,' a plan for organizing the ascent of pilgrims to the holy places, for this year was announced and the responsibilities and duties of each department have been identified. These include the executive committee for the ascension of pilgrims to the holy places, the ascension committee and the transport syndicate which will coordinate to the best interests and comfort of pilgrims.

In the context of the comprehensive preparations by the Kingdom for this year's pilgrimage, the Passports Department has been instructed to operate during the holidays which began Thursday. Passports Department Director Brig. Yusuf Fadel said that the travel and residence departments will work 24 hours a day, through shifts, to process emergency travel cases. For pilgrims who lose their travel documents, the Pilgrimage and Endowments Ministry will deal with the issue, he added.

Among the prominent services in the holy places this year will be Islamic guidance ser-

vices which are needed by pilgrims on an individual basis. The Pilgrimage Research Center will conduct guidance services including pictures of Mina photographed from the air. The pictures, taken Tuesday, will be provided with guiding information and printed for distribution on Friday. The pictures show gatherings of mutawifeen (pilgrim guides), land pilgrims, sites of hospitals, clinics, government areas, police, traffic, civil defense and slaughterhouses. Names of 230 public organizations, 59 private institutions, 46 foreign bodies and 864 mutawifeen will be printed on the back of the pictures.

Sami Angawi, the Pilgrim Research Center Director, said that more details have been obtained on the allocation of land in Mina. The Mina region was divided into 171 areas, a survey has been made of tents, buildings and service sites. He added that about 52 percent of Mina legal area is hills, while 22 percent is provided for roads. Religion rites, like the Jamarat bridge and slaughterhouses, occupy 5.6 percent of the total area of Mina while services account for one percent and official institutions and public facilities for about 14 percent.

The center is experimenting, for the first time, this year the possibility of using gentle slopes as sites of residence to increase the capacity of Mina area. Two hundred tents have been located on the slopes and the success and acceptability of the idea will decide its implementation, Angawi said. A study for the use of slopes was conducted by the center in cooperation with the University of Stuttgart, West Germany. The center also is conducting another experiment, this year, of freezing the animals sacrificed during the pilgrimage with nitrogen.

1982-83 classes underway, enrollment dates announced

DAMMAM, Sept. 24 (SPA) — The Damman Vocational Center began its training course for the academic year 1982-83 last week. A total of 180 trainees have been enrolled in the industrial and commercial departments so far and registration will remain open until Oct. 17, according to Abdul Latif Al-Arfaj, the center's director.

The industrial department incorporates several specializations like carpentry, welding and car mechanics, while the commercial department offers secretarial activities, accountancy and typewriting. During the 10-month course, trainees are granted SR600 monthly incentive and SR120 as a safety allowance in addition to SR3,000 upon graduation. Out-of-town trainees are provided with accommodations and transportation.

The Technical Assistant's Institute of

Dammam has announced that Oct. 17 will be the final day for registration for the new academic year. Saudi Arabians and Gulf nationals are to be admitted to the institute run by the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs. During the two-year course, trainees will receive SR675 monthly bonus and SR225 food allowance. Students from outside Dammam will be given housing.

Oct. 17 also was fixed as final date for registration of part time students at the Sharia and Islamic Studies College of Imam Muhammad bin Saud Islamic University in Ahsa. Dr. Abdullah Al-Tayyar, the college's dean, said 232 regular students have been granted admission for the upcoming academic year. Part time students admitted so far number 125, bringing the total number of students at the college to 800, Tayyar said.

Date harvesting equipment tested

AHSA, Sept. 24 — An experiment is being conducted here on an agricultural machine to harvest palm trees by cutting their branches and collect in dates, Al-Madina reported. If the new machine passes the test it could be utilized in all palm farms in Saudi Arabia.

One of the recommendations of the first seminar on palms, held here a few months ago, had been to use modern technology in palm planting and harvesting.

SR28 million date processing plant set up

AHSA, Sept. 24 (SPA) — A new SR28 million date plant is being set up here, officials said that the first shipment of the plant's operating equipment was handed over Monday. It consisted of three main units for washing, selecting and packing the dates. Other shipments will follow. The plant will

According to a specialist, Dr. Abdullah Al-Ghamdi, professor at the Ahsa Agriculture and Food College, modern techniques and apparatus could greatly increase the date crop by encouraging farmers to plant palms.

They would also save money and efforts. And it is worthwhile recalling that there are nearly eight million palm trees at present in the Kingdom, Dr. Ghamdi said.

produce 500 tons of dates daily. The dates will be put in small packets.

Ahse's Irrigation and Drainage Committee will buy 9,000 tons of dates from local farmers and 6,000 tons from other areas this year to be sent as the Kingdom's contribution to the International Food Program.

Eastern Province firm orders heavy trucks

LONDON, Sept. 24 (LPS) — Thirty heavy trucks valued at £1.1 million have been ordered by the Saudi Arabian-British Consortium, TASECO-TMS. The vehicles will be three-axle tractor units able to operate at 57 tons

gross train weight. They are all equipped with day cabs, Cummins 290 turbo-diesel engines, Fuller gear boxes and Rockwell rear axles. They will be used to haul trailers with general freight for Aramco throughout Saudi Arabia.



FINAL MEETING : During his visit last week to Saudi Arabia, Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat met with a number of representatives of the Arab world. Here Arafat gives a presentation about the massacre in Lebanon and appeals for help from Arab supporters throughout the Middle East.

British firm wins Jeddah water plant job

LONDON, Sept. 24 (LPS) — A contract for updating water and sewage works in the Jeddah has been awarded recently to a British firm.

One plant, designed to handle sewage works in Jeddah, is designed to yield 30,000 cubic meters of water a day for irrigation, industrial and some domestic uses. The plant will operate on the reverse osmosis principle in conjunction with the inlet flow balance tanks, chemical handling equipment, clarifier softeners, rapid gravity and filters and a final disinfection stage.

The £21 million contract has gone to Ames Crosta Babcock, water treatment process

designers. A company spokesman said the new plant will be the first in the Middle East to treat sewage to a standard within the recommendations for drinking water of the World Health Organization. The contract is to be completed within two years and the British firm will supervise operations and

maintenance. It calls for the construction of all civil structures, an off-site reservoir and inter-connecting pipework.

A spokesman for the contractor said that the completion of the project will mean that demands of Jeddah's potable water supplies will be lessened.

SR17 million disbursed for pensions, bonus

JIZAN, Sept. 24 (SPA) — SR17 million have been disbursed by the Social Security's Jizan bureau as pensions to subscribers from May 25 to Sept. 17. Hadi Abbas Hikmi, the bureau's director, said that the royal bonus

was also paid to subscribers with their annual dues.

Payment is underway in the Jizan, Sabia and Abi Arish branches. Hikmi said. Separate offices have been opened for men and women, so that payment procedures will be carried out smoothly, he added. A total of 1,400 new cases have been submitted for decision while 100 other cases for handicapped people have been approved after study, he said.

The Jizan bureau is currently conducting a survey of all possible cases in the villages and mountain areas in the region, Hikmi added.

Prince Saud receives Sekou Toure

JEDDAH, Sept. 24 (SPA) — Guinean President Ahmed Sekou Toure arrived here Thursday to perform the pilgrimage. He was received at the airport by Deputy Makkah Governor Prince Saud bin Abdul Mohsen, a representative of the Royal Protocol and a number of officials.

According to Radio Conakry, Toure will chair a meeting of the Islamic Conference Committee charged with ending the war between Iran and Iraq. The committee will be discussing the latest developments in the war, the radio said.

In Riyadh a well-informed source said that Toure would also be making the pilgrimage to Makkah with Bangladesh leader Gen. Hussein Muhammad Ershad and Maldives President Maumoon Abdul Gayoom.

Project powered by solar energy

RIYADH, Sept. 24 (QNA) Saudi Arabia plans to build a solar-powered greenhouse in the Kingdom with controlled temperatures, moisture and irrigation. The project includes a solar-powered desalination plant which will use the sun's power for irrigation and electric production.

The first project for utilization of solar energy in the Kingdom was established at Jubailah and Iyenah villages, near Riyadh. The project is capable of producing 350 kilowatts which can be increased to 1,000 kilowatts.

A total of 160 solar energy collecting units are used to provide the 3,000 residents of the two villages with electric power directly produced from solar energy. "The project also has a storage capacity of 1,100 kilowatts in batteries to be used at night. The project, with all equipment, cost \$35 million.

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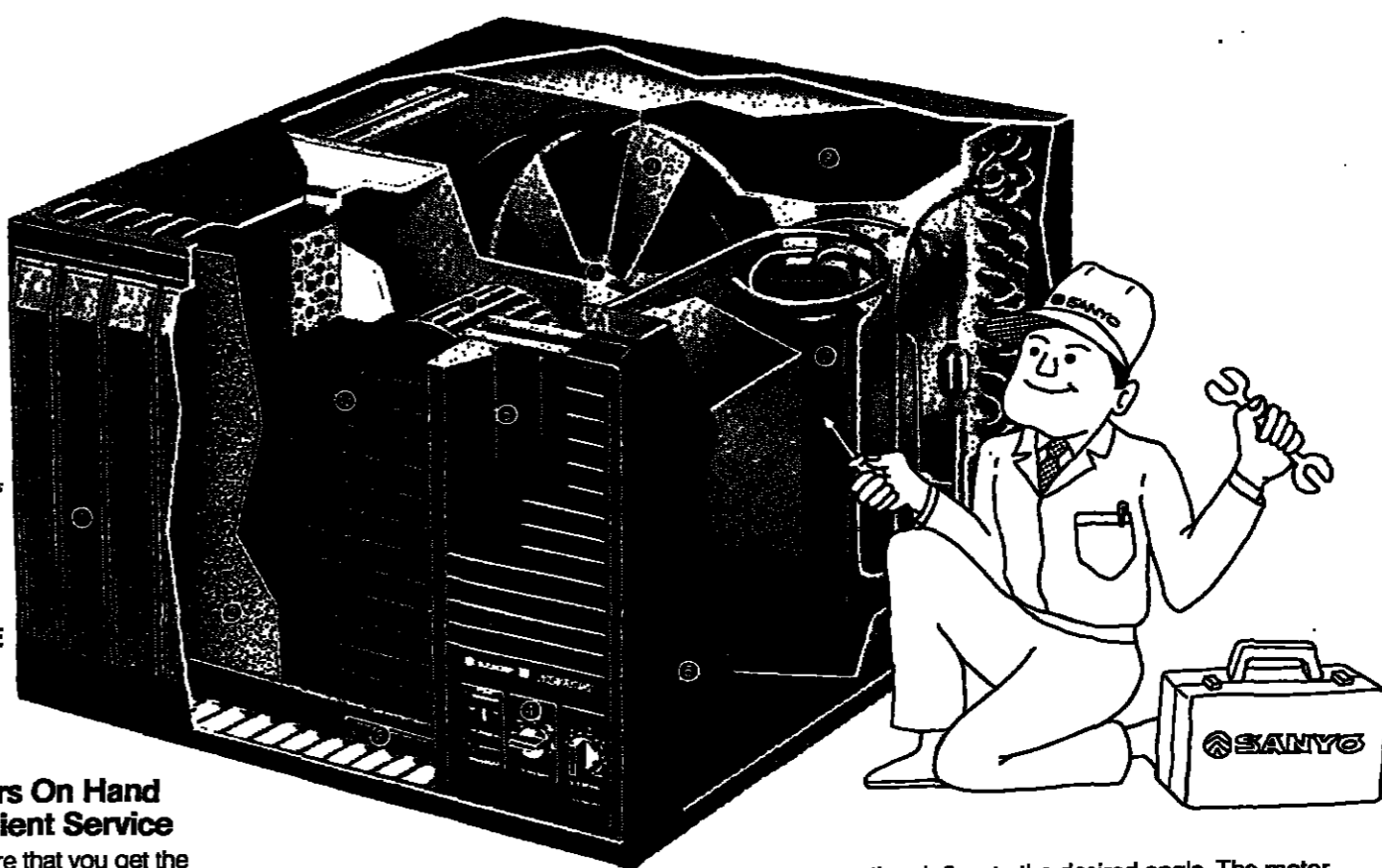
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Asr (Afternoon)	3:37	3:39	3:10	2:57	3:22	3:52
Maghreb (Sunset)	6:16	6:16	5:48	5:34	5:59	6:28
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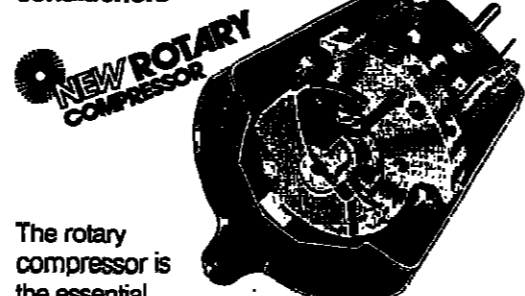
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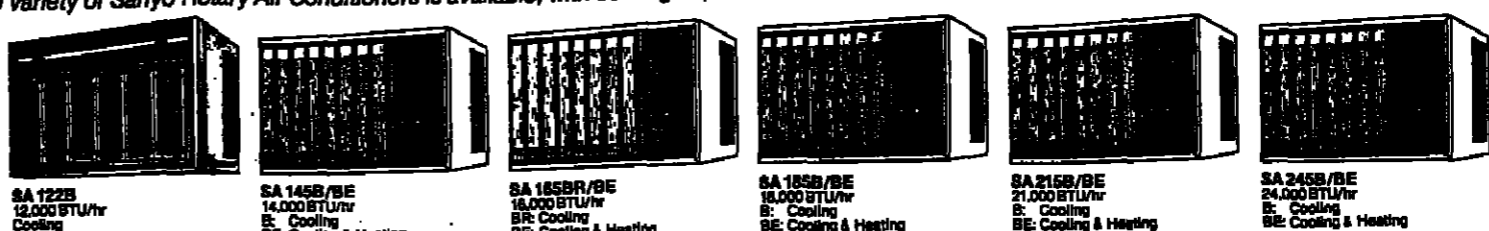
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Arafat calls on Arabs to back PLO struggle

ADEN, Sept. 24 (Agencies) — Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat has called on Arab countries to support the Palestinian revolution.

Arriving in South Yemen from Sudan on the latest stage of a tour of Islamic countries, Arafat Thursday told reporters that Arab states should take positive steps to help the Palestinians.

He was welcomed at Aden airport by First Deputy Prime Minister Brig. Ali Nasser Antar, and during his visit he was expected to have talks with South Yemeni leaders on the Middle East situation in the light of last week's massacre of Palestinians in Beirut.

In another development, West Germany said Friday it would consider a visit to Bonn by Arafat, but denied any change in its policy toward the PLO. A foreign ministry spokesman in Bonn said the government would take into consideration Arafat's interest in coming to Bonn, but there were no plans for such a visit yet.

PLO representative Abdullah Frangi said Thursday that Arafat hoped to visit West Germany as this would enable German politicians to discuss Middle East problems more directly.

Frangi was speaking after talks with Minister of State Peter Cortier in the first official meeting between a PLO spokesman and a top West German government representative.

UNIFIL to remain in South Lebanon

UNITED NATIONS, Sept. 24 (AFP) — The 7,000-man United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), whose mandate expires Oct. 19, will stay on in the south of the country despite the removal of Palestinian and leftist militants from the region, a senior U.N. official has said.

Brian Urquhart, a U.N. undersecretary-general, Thursday said there was broad support within the U.N. for maintaining the force, stationed in southern Lebanon in 1978 to serve as a buffer between Palestinian and Israeli troops.

U.N. diplomats contend that UNIFIL still has a role to play in Lebanon despite the redeployment in Beirut of U.S., French and

But a government spokesman said Friday the meeting was not a change in policy. Bonn does not officially recognize the PLO as sole representative of the Palestinian people.

He said Chancellor Helmut Schmidt asked for the meeting to be held after last week's massacre of Palestinians in Beirut. Two days ago West Germany said it would extend its contacts with all parties in the Middle East to help in the peace process.

At the same time, the Israeli Embassy in Bonn sharply protested the meeting between Frangi and the German official.

The Israeli Embassy said its charge d'affaires Ephraim Eylon presented the protest to a senior foreign ministry official, Walter Gorenflus, head of the department dealing with Mideast affairs. Eylon told the foreign ministry Israel was shocked that Frangi had been allowed to go to a press conference afterward and "spread slander about Israel", an embassy statement said.

Frangi said at the press conference that 5,000 Palestinians had perished in the Beirut massacres at Palestinian refugee camps last week. PLO spokesman Mahmoud Labadi said at the same news conference that Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Defense Minister Ariel Sharon are "in character nothing other than Hitler and Himmler, who killed the Jews" in Nazi Germany.

Italian troops in an international peacekeeping force. A number of diplomats, furthermore, would like to see the U.N. soldiers eventually replace the international troops.

The U.N. force, formed after the first Israeli invasion of Lebanon, has frequently been accused by Israel of failing to keep Palestinian combatants and their leftist allies from penetrating the zone it was assigned to control. But U.N. troops were likewise powerless to prevent the Israelis from advancing north toward Beirut from southern Lebanon during the military offensive launched in early June.

Turkey's draft constitution approved

ANKARA, Sept. 24 (AP) — Turkey's military-appointed National Consultative Assembly has finally approved a draft constitution, a key component in the planned return to democracy, agreeing that a national referendum on the document should be held on Nov. 7.

The draft, heavily criticized inside and outside the assembly for being potentially repressive and investing excessive power in an executive presidency, will now go to the ruling five-man National Security Council for ratification before the referendum.

Assembly members voted Thursday by 120 votes to seven in favor of the draft, with

12 abstentions, after a two-stage debate lasting nearly two months when they passed a number of amendments to the original draft drawn up by a constitutional commission. But the central features of the draft remained intact.

The draft envisages a president elected to a seven-year term by a one-house parliament, itself elected for five years by universal suffrage. It contains a temporary clause under which the head of state, Gen. Kenan Evren, will be elected automatically as the first president if the constitution is approved in the referendum.

Egypt, Israel to continue normal ties

TEL AVIV, Sept. 24 (AP) — The Egyptian government informed Israel Thursday that it will continue all its diplomatic and consular activities with the Jewish state, a foreign ministry spokesman said. The spokesman said that "Egypt has informed Israel it is continuing in all its obligations as expressed in treaty form."

The Egyptian ambassador to Israel, Saad Murtada, was recalled to Cairo Monday in an Egyptian protest of the massacre of Palesti-

nian refugees in Beirut by Israel's Christian allies. Israeli officials expressed their concern then that an Egyptian decision to withdraw the ambassador may severely disrupt relations between the two countries.

The foreign ministry spokesman told the Associated Press that the Egyptian ambassador is expected to return to Israel "though it is not known how long his commitments in Cairo will last."

BRIEFS

WASHINGTON, (AFP) — The United States has decided to sell six fighter jets to Bahrain, the State Department announced Thursday. The planes, two F-4 fighter and training jets and four F-5G Tigerjets, will not be delivered until 1986.

CAIRO, (AP) — A young man identified as an "extremist" shot and wounded two foreign tourists and a guide Friday beside the great pyramid of Giza, the ministry of interior

announced. DAMASKUS, (R) — Syrian Prime Minister Abdul Rauf Al-Kasbi will pay an official visit to Czechoslovakia next week, the Syrian Arab News Agency has reported.

BOGOTA, (AP) — Gunmen firing from speeding cars riddled the Israeli ambassador's residence with submachine gun fire and tossed two bombs at his house Thursday, the police said.

Gunmen kill Israeli officer in West Beirut

BEIRUT, Sept. 24 (AP) — Unidentified gunmen opened fire on Israeli soldiers sitting at a sidewalk cafe in West Beirut Friday, killing an Israeli officer and wounding three soldiers, the government television station reported.

One witness, Afif Abede, said he was going to a restaurant on Hamra Street, the city's main shopping center, but saw Israeli soldiers sitting at one of the tables and decided to go elsewhere.

"I heard shooting and ducked," he said. "Then I saw the Israelis fall to the ground. I ran fearing they would shoot again."

Associated Press reporter Samir Ghattas saw five Israeli armored personnel carriers rush into the area after the incident. They lined 15 young men up against a wall for questioning.

Witnesses of the shooting gave conflicting reports. Some said there were only three Israelis involved. Some also said a lone gunman walked up and opened fire with a pistol, while others said gunmen in a speeding car drove past the corner cafe and fired at the soldiers. Another account said one Israeli soldier returned fire.

Abede, a waiter at a nearby hotel, said he saw one Israeli soldier stand up and then help the two others to a jeep and drive away. He said at least one appeared to be badly hurt.

One week after holocaust Smell of death hangs over Palestinian refugee camps

BEIRUT, Sept. 24 (AFP) — The smell of death continued to hang over the Sabra and Shatila Palestinian refugee camps Friday, a week after the mass slaughter, but life was at last slowly returning to normal. In the Sabra market, a few stores have reopened and vendors of fruit and cigarettes were back on the streets wheeling their barrows Friday while Lebanese Army jeeps patrolled the tiny streets of the camp.

But the men seated at the coffee houses continued to discuss the massacre as rescue cars carrying yet more bodies sped past, heading for the mass grave pits in the nearby Shatila camp.

In a small alley, three women were quietly drinking tea, waiting for the washing to dry. It was at this very spot, just a week ago, that some 15 youths were gunned down. The blood had been washed away, but the smell of death hangs in the air.

Nearby, a man was rummaging through the rubble of a block of houses dynamited by those who during 36 long hours spread terror through the camp. He left clutching a photograph. Some are lucky enough to still have a roof over their heads. Others are busy rebuilding the ruins of what was once a home, and others have moved in with friends or taken over the homes of

those who are dead or have disappeared. With running water still unavailable, children were busy carrying water in plastic containers.

The week-old tragedy has deeply shocked the refugees. While many have chosen to remain in the camps, others, afraid of a new attack or unable to cope with the all-too-present memory of the nightmare, have decided to move off.

"The Lebanese Army? It left instead of defending us. The multinational force? It's arriving after the massacre," they say.

Many families Friday were busy loading their cars or vans with bedding, pans, cookers and refrigerators to settle in the outer suburbs of the Lebanese capital. But as one onlooker said: "We're staying because we don't know where else to go."

The International Committee of the Red Cross has supervised the burial of some 300 bodies in the Shatila grave. Rescue workers say they expect the total number of bodies dug up among the rubble to number 600. But more than 2,000 people are so far estimated to have disappeared.

Meanwhile, an estimated one thousand Muslim worshippers Friday staged a demonstration near the Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem to protest the massacres of Palestinians, Palestinian sources reported.

Afghanistan cabinet reshuffled

NEW DELHI, Sept. 24 (AP) — Afghan President Babrak Karmal appointed Gen. Abdul Qader, a leader of the 1973 and 1978 coups, as his defense minister Thursday, Kabul Radio reported. Qader replaced Gen. Muhammad Rafi, who has been reported under fire from Karmal's supporters for a long time for weak leadership and inability to check the Afghan resistance. The government broadcast said Rafi was appointed deputy prime minister — a largely ceremonial post.

Karmal named his close lieutenant, Sarwar Mangal, as minister of higher and vocational education, the newscast, monitored here, said.

Last week, the 56-year-old Soviet-installed president dismissed his higher and vocational education minister, Pohanmal Guldd, a member of the rival "khalk" (masses) Party and Information and Culture Minister Abdul Majid Sirboland. However, both were retained as deputy prime ministers.

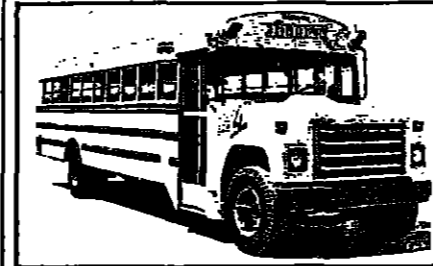
Thursday's cabinet reshuffle appeared to have strengthened Karmal's "Parcham" (banner) faction in the feuding ruling circle. Afghan resistance leaders had recently reported that there were rumors in Kabul, the capital, that Karmal would be removed as president.

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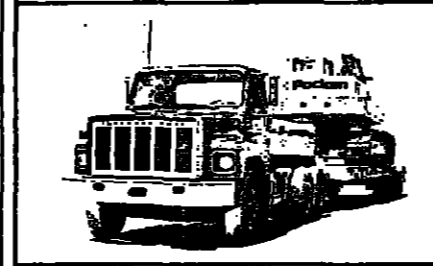
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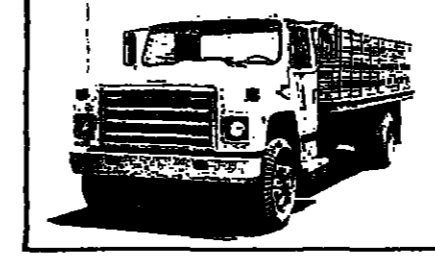
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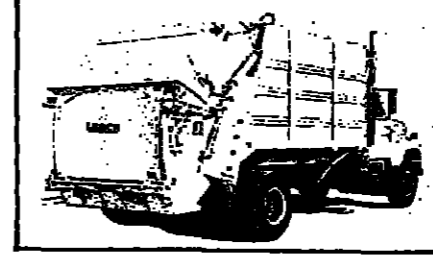
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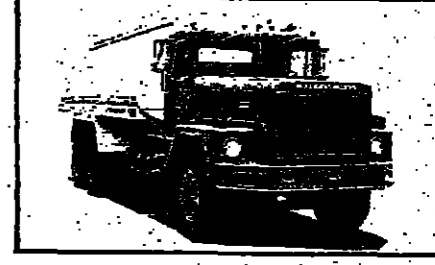
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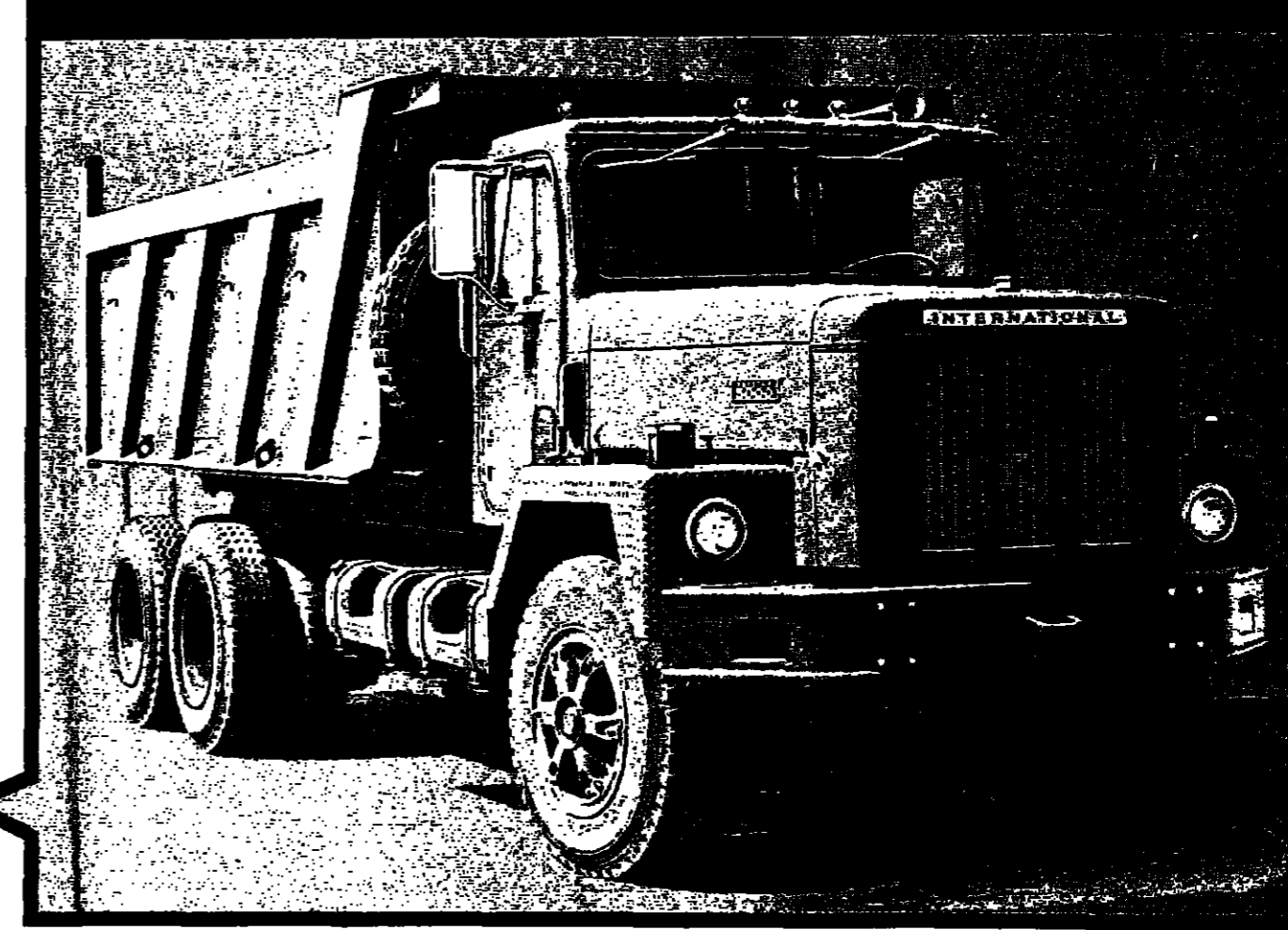
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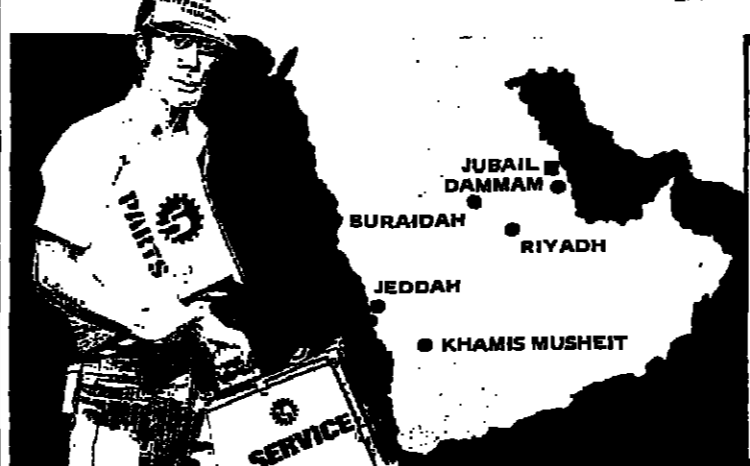
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Talks with Soviets 'untimely'

Rostow cautions on space arms

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (AP) — It would be "the height of folly" for the United States to rush into negotiations with the Soviet Union on controlling weapons in outer space until it has in hand verifiable proposals that will enhance national security, the U.S. arms control chief said.

Eugene V. Rostow, director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, said also the United States must act to ensure the survivability of American space system from the threat of advanced Soviet anti-satellite weapons.

He said Thursday that while the United States will continue to be restrained and non-aggressive in its use of space for military purposes, "failure by the U.S. to respond to the Soviet military threat in space would have consequences which could jeopardize the interests of all nations."

Rostow, speaking at the National Academy of Sciences on the 15th anniversary of the outer space treaty of 1967, called the pact a useful and significant first step which demonstrates that the goal of world public order is achievable. But he said that goal is increasingly threatened by "the spread of international anarchy."

"The promise of this fruitful period of law-making for outer space could become the accepted norm for international life if — but only if — the slide toward anarchy is reversed, and the rules of order are enforced," he said.

"That effort will surely fail, and outer space will become a nightmare, if we fail in our efforts to achieve peace on earth," he said.

Dowry debt drives Chinese to suicide

PEKING, Sept. 24 (AFP) — A young Chinese couple, overwhelmed by marriage debts, committed suicide by taking poison amid the "dowry" possessions which caused their problems, the Chinese youth paper reported Friday.

Liu Hengyi, 26, and his 21-year-old wife decided to poison themselves after discovering that the debt incurred from their marriage came to 1,300 yuan (\$660) — more than two years of a Chinese worker's salary.

They were found dead, lying on quilts and eight cushions, wearing all their new clothes — 13 garments on the wife and five on the husband — last April in Hailong county in the northeastern province of Jilin. The paper said the clothes were part of the dowry requested by the wife's family and therefore the direct cause of the young couple's debt.

The revelation of the affair, meant to serve as an example, is part of a campaign against a renewal of mercenary marriages, especially in the countryside. The "buying" of a bride by a young man's family is becoming increasingly costly, with prices easily reaching 1,000 yuan (\$550) — usually paid for in presents — even in the most desolate regions.

said.

The Soviet Union has for more than 10 years been the world's only nation with a working anti-satellite system, a co-orbital interceptor with an explosive warhead, Rostow said.

Rostow said the U.S. effort to counter this perceived threat includes improving the survivability of U.S. satellites, building space surveillance systems, and "continued development of a (U.S.) anti-satellite capability."

The U.S. entry into negotiations with the Soviets on intermediate-range nuclear

Woman's killing in U.S. hotel

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (AP) — Less than two hours after she checked into the Waldorf-Astoria, banking executive Kathleen Williams was found murdered in a stairwell of that landmark hotel.

The 30-year-old resident of Mexico City still wore her tan business suit, and her jewelry was intact. All that was amiss, said police, was the hole in her throat and the blood in the stairwell. Police said Thursday they were puzzled by the Wednesday night slaying. They could not even suggest what kind of weapon was used.

The city's chief medical examiner, Dr. Elliot M. Gross, said she had suffered two wounds, a superficial stab wound in the lower left chest and the fatal stab wound on the right side of the neck that cut her major blood vessels. Gross said she had not been sexually assaulted. Results of chemical and lab tests would be available in two to three weeks, he said.

Meanwhile, police set up a temporary headquarters in a room on the 17th floor, two floors below the stairwell where Miss Williams died. Hotel executives were "nervous and upset," said one official. And guests who paid rates ranging from \$105 a night for single rooms to \$550 for suites looked over their shoulders at passing strangers.

Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos was in the adjacent Waldorf Towers. Secret service agents guarding Marcos joined police at the start of the investigation, but later returned to their assignments.

Police canvassed guests and others, tracing Miss Williams' movements. Miss Williams, an assistant vice president for corporate banking at Chase Manhattan's office in Mexico City, had been a guest at the Waldorf earlier in the week but had left for a four-day business seminar at Atlantic City. According to Capt. Eugene Burke, Miss Williams returned from Atlantic City by bus Wednesday evening, and then took a cab with friends. They left her off at the hotel at about 7 p.m., Burke said.

Miss Williams was assigned a room on the

weapons in Europe and on long-range strategic nuclear weapons was marked by "careful, analytical and thorough preparations," Rostow said.

"They are the essence of our approach to the problem of arms control potentialities in space," he said. "In my judgment, it would be the height of folly to rush into negotiations on these subjects unless we are ready with verifiable proposals that will enhance national security."

He said the outer space treaty, by banning the stationing of weapons of mass destruction in space, has proved a significant and effective first step.

Lightning strikes 11 dead in Kenya

NAIROBI, Sept. 24 (AFP) — Eleven primary school pupils aged between seven and 14 were killed Wednesday afternoon when lightning struck a primary school in Kisumu district, western Kenya, press reports said here Friday.

All the children including three girls, died instantly and four others were pushed to hospital with burns. Two girls were later discharged.

The incident happened shortly before a heavy downpour started as the pupils were preparing to make some renovations to Gotingyango school wall. Eye witnesses including school headmaster Lawrence

WASHINGTON (AP) — Terrorists have no trouble entering the United States and other countries because it is so easy to obtain false identification papers, a senior U.S. State Department official said. "The system for getting a birth certificate is so easy," he told a U.S. Senate permanent subcommittee on investigations Thursday. All a terrorist has to do is send money and a name to a government records office to obtain a birth certificate which can then be used to obtain passports and other documents, he said.

MADRID (AFP) — Indonesian President Suharto will pay an official visit to Spain from Oct. 7 to 10, it was announced here Friday. King Juan Carlos and Queen Sophie of Spain visited Indonesia in November 1980.

WASHINGTON (AFP) — The United States conducted three underground nuclear weapons tests Thursday in Nevada, the

Kennedy launching costly ad campaign

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (AP) — U.S. Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, youngest brother of former President John F. Kennedy, is launching a costly re-election advertising campaign that emphasizes the tragedies in his life and highlights his role as "head of the entire Kennedy clan."

In all, the ads confront directly the so-called "character" issue that helped doom Kennedy's 1980 presidential bid and that aides concede he must overcome for a possible White House campaign to succeed in 1984. In one poignant moment, Kennedy's niece, Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, recalls on camera that she was married on the same day the Senator's son, Teddy, had a leg ampu-

puzzles police

But Burke theorized that Miss Williams was confused and took the elevator in the west wing to the 19th floor, which is separate from the east wing's 19th floor.

"We believe she didn't know where she was," said Burke, in trying to find her way, he suggested, she went into the stairwell and was killed.

11 dead in Kenya

Nyagisera said the lightning's impact threw some pupils out of their classrooms onto the pitch outside.

Nyagisera, who was in his office when the lightning struck, said "I went out to check and found nearly 50 children lying on the veranda". At least 119 pupils escaped unhurt. In July last year, 11 pupils were killed and 14 others injured in a similar incident at a primary school in the same district.

Also in June last year, three children were killed when lightning struck a market in the same area, and one month earlier three goats were struck dead in a local village.

BRIEFS

Energy Department announced.

SAN SALVADOR (AP) — The death toll from flooding and mud slides in San Salvador and neighboring Guatemala climbed to more than 1,300 Thursday as rescue teams reached isolated communities devastated by four days of torrential rains.

QUITO (R) — A worker died and more than 100 persons were arrested during clashes between strikes and police at the end of a two-day general strike outlawed by Ecuador's government, police said.

NEW DELHI (AP) — Thousands of marooned residents were evacuated to higher ground from the flood-swept north Indian city of Jaunpur Thursday as the monsoon-swollen Ganges River and its tributaries inundated 450 more villages in the region, officials said.

To enter White House

Kennedy launching costly ad campaign

tated for cancer. Mrs. Townsend said she offered to cancel the wedding and he (Kennedy) said no, don't do that at all."

"And he made sure that he came to the house and picked me up and walked me down the aisle" before returning to his son's bedside. Mrs. Townsend's father, Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, was assassinated in 1968.

The commercials cost \$150,000 to \$200,000 to produce and will cost about \$650,000 to air beginning this weekend. They are the work of Michael Kaye, a Los Angeles-based media consultant. They will air throughout Massachusetts at a time Kennedy appears virtually certain to defeat Republican Raymond Shamie for a new term in the Senate. But aides say they fear a last-minute infusion of conservative money into the Shamie campaign.

But while campaigning in Massachusetts, Kennedy also has been pondering a possible re-run for the White House.

Polls showed, and his aides conceded, that Kennedy suffered in the 1980 primary elections because of the public perception that his character was flawed. His estrangement from his wife, Joan, and the 1969 accident at Chappaquiddick, often were cited as examples. His 1980 advertising generally skirted the issue.

Now they confront it, although by implication and emphasis on positive qualities rather than by specifically mentioning such things as his marriage problems or the fatal accident. "He's not a plaster saint, he's not without fault," a Kennedy advocate declares.

Through narration and the use of long-time friends on camera, the commercials attempt to paint a picture of Kennedy as a man who has endured great tragedy, but has emerged as a caring, sensitive family man who is "touched by someone facing adver-

Taipei army refuses to confirm plane crash

TAIPEI, Taiwan, Sept. 24 (AP) — Taiwan's military officials Friday refused to confirm a report that a Chinese jetliner crashed in southwestern China last April, killing 112 persons, after the plane's pilots tried to halt a hijacking.

The official Central News Agency, quoting unidentified sources, said Thursday that a British-made Trident jet crashed in Guangxi province April 26.

It said the sources reported that an armed man attempted to hijack the aircraft 10 minutes after it took off from Guangzhou on its way to Guizhou in southwest China, ordering it to fly out of the country.

The news agency quoted the sources as saying "though the pilots resisted him, the plane went out of control and crashed into a mountain area, killing 112 passengers and crew members aboard." No further details were available.

sity."

In one scene, someone describes Kennedy's visit to the bedside of a boy who was terminally ill. In another commercial, a long-time family nurse, Louella Donovan, recalls the period after Robert Kennedy's assassination when his widow Ethel was pregnant: "Every night, coming home from the Senate...the senator came up to Ethel to see how she was before he went home."

Koch loses nomination for governor

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (R) — Mayor Edward Koch's tight grip on politics here broke Thursday night when he was defeated for the Democratic Party's gubernatorial nomination by New York state Lt. Gov. Mario Cuomo. The New York city mayor's loss was the biggest upset in the current campaigning around the United States for various state, federal and local elections six weeks hence.

It gave Democrats a new liberal champion to fight conservative Republican millionaire Lewis Lehrman in the November election for state governor. Cuomo, a former law professor with a sharp, witty debating style, beat the mayor in the primary by 54 to 46 percent of the votes cast by members of their party.

The lieutenant governor entered the race trailing Koch by 37 points in the opinion polls and rated virtually sure to lose. But he won, largely by building a coalition of liberals, minority groups and trade unionists weary of the ebullient Koch's combative neo-conservative views.

Cuomo's victory was augmented by the votes of thousands of normally conservative "upstate New Yorkers" living outside the city who resented a *Playboy* magazine interview in which Koch mocked the suburbs as sterile and joked about simple country pleasures.

The mayor's defeat in his bid to succeed outgoing Democratic governor Hugh Carey was ensured when he failed to win by a large margin in the city, taking only 51 percent of its vote. A year ago he got over 75 percent in seeking a second term as mayor. "Don't shed a tear for me...I have no regret, I'm still the mayor and that's not bad," he commented.

Cuomo said in a victory statement: "Government has a better role than preparing for war and taking care of the rich and expecting them to take care of the rest of us." Meanwhile, New York's Democratic Sen. Patrick Moynihan easily won his own primary election against right-winger Melvin Klenetsky. Next month his Republican opponent is a Reagan conservative, Florence Sullivan, a member of the state legislature.



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KING FAHD'S MESSAGE

The bloody and senseless deaths of innocent Muslims in several parts of the Middle East were abhorred by King Fahd in his statement Thursday. In it he indicated that perhaps the Arab nation has now come to a turning point, at which it will no longer stand by helplessly and watch such inhuman actions which are in direct conflict with the basic tenets of the Islamic religion and Sharia.

The King inferred that, although Muslims are peace-loving people, the time is speedily approaching when action will have to be taken to overcome these violent acts. He encouraged Arab solidarity and the healing of wounds which would be essential in order to overcome the common enemies of the Arab world.

The King's address was especially noteworthy due to the fact that it took place during his annual statement which welcomes pilgrim missions to Makkah for the pilgrimage. His presentation this year will be remembered for a long time by those representatives present at the ceremony and its urgency has already been relayed back to each respective country — in total, they represent the entire Muslim world, and if they do attempt to follow the suggestions by the King, the effect could be very long range and beneficial.

It was shocking to hear the total number of people killed in the Lebanese massacre was more than 6,000 and while King Fahd expressed his compassion for the Palestinians, he also pointed out the many unnecessary deaths of Muslims now fighting in the senseless war between Iraq and Iran and the turmoil now taking place in Afghanistan.

His message, and one well heard by the Muslim world could well be followed by the entire world as well, that the only answer to such conflict is for the rest of the world to take stock of the inhumanities and unite in genuine efforts which will lead to peace in the Middle East and throughout the world. Peace with dignity, if correctly observed, is the only way to ensure lasting peace at all.

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Friday's newspapers gave prominence to a speech delivered by King Fahd Thursday night in which he stressed the importance of Islamic solidarity and unity and dwelt on some major problems facing the Arab and Muslim worlds at present.

Okaz and **Al-Madinah** noted the importance attached by the King in addressing heads of pilgrimage missions, to Islam as a religion and creed. They said that in his comprehensive speech, King Fahd outlined the worries of the whole Islamic world in an "enlightened and far-sighted manner demonstrating full awareness of the dimensions of problems through which the Muslim world is passing."

The papers said that if Muslims were truly serious in seeking an Islamic solution for the problems facing them the first thing they should do "is a true understanding of Islam and Islamic principles which provide complete solutions for the difficulties encountered in the world."

In his speech, King Fahd described the current phase as one of the most crucial and dangerous facing the Islamic and Arab nation. He said Muslim throughout the world represented a tremendous power, "but this would be ineffective unless they were united."

The monarch also deplored the Beirut massacre of Palestinian refugees, the Soviet Union's occupation of Afghanistan and the Iraq-Iran war.

Al-Jazirah praised the King's decision to cancel all normal festivities both within the Kingdom and abroad to mark National Day because of the mass killings of Palestinian refugees in West Beirut last week.

The King had ordered diverting amounts allocated to the celebrations for use in humanitarian activities designed to alleviate the sufferings of victims of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

The paper said the monarch's humanitarian move was in addition to diplomatic efforts undertaken for the same purpose. "The King's step reflected the fateful link binding the Arab and Islamic peoples at all times," it added.

"It also marked a new initiative in the series of moves in the service of the Lebanese people to enable them to liberate their country from Israeli occupation, as well as in the service of the Palestinian people to enable them to recover their full national rights, notably their right to setting up an independent state," the paper wrote. (SPA)

The assassination of Lebanese President-elect Bashir Gemayel, the entry of the Israeli troops into West Beirut and the formidable holocaust perpetrated by the Lebanese Christian militiamen against the Palestinian civilians with Israel's support — all these developments have once again brought back the atmosphere of great concern and terror in Beirut and Lebanon as a whole. Gemayel's assassination and the indescribable slaughter of Palestinians are, in fact, a link in the vast chain of the plot Israel and its supporters are trying to implement in order to keep Lebanon an "open front" for strife and disintegration. This process will pave the way for the country's division with its southern part under the yoke of the Israelis or their allies, reports Abdul Karim Aboulnasser, editor-in-chief of the London based *Al-Majalla* magazine, a sister publication of *Arab News*.

By Abdul Karim Aboulnasser
Editor-in-Chief, *Al-Majalla*

A pertinent question arises as to who assassinated Bashir Gemayel and how Israel actually played in this conspiracy? Though the question still baffles diplomatic observers in many Arab and foreign capitals directly concerned with the developments of the Lebanese situation, it is evident that Gemayel's assassination was the first link of a fresh and formidable plot that had started getting implemented in Lebanon during the past few days. It may continue with the new president if not checked at various levels.

In order to find an answer to the basic question, *Al-Majalla* carried out a survey by contacting various well-informed Lebanese, American, Arab and European circles — some of them holding responsible posts. The information gathered from these circles firstly reveal the secret story of the Israeli pressure on Bashir Gemayel and, secondly, some mysterious aspects of the murder that took place with the blessing of the Phalangist Party headquarters in Ashrafiah, east of Beirut, on Sept. 14.

The story runs thus. A few days before his assassination, Gemayel had informed the Reagan administration through an American personality that Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin intends to send a complete proposal for a peace treaty between Lebanon and Israel, to the Baabda Palace after his assumption of the office of the president. Begin wanted Gemayel to study the proposal so that it be signed in a "function" in Beirut attended by Begin himself, and followed by an invitation to the Lebanese president to pay an official visit to Israel. Gemayel told the U.S. administration that he was "greatly concerned" over this step. He explained that he told the Israelis more than once, since his election as president, that he would not sign a peace pact unless the following two conditions were met:

Firstly, all foreign forces — including the Israeli troops — withdraw from Lebanon and the legitimate authority undertakes the security responsibility in the whole country.

Secondly, the majority of the Lebanese agree to this treaty through a referendum that should take place after the Lebanese authority takes over complete responsibility.

Gemayel sought the Reagan administration's intervention in the matter by "persuading" Begin not to exert pressure on him. Contact was actually established between Washington and Tel Aviv, during which the Americans wished Begin to "facilitate" and not to hinder the task of the Lebanese president-elect. The Americans said they supported such a treaty but opposed that it take place in the presence of foreign forces in Lebanon and without the willingness of the Lebanese president and people.

This complaint of Israeli pressure was one of several complaints Gemayel sent to the Americans, especially since he was elected president on Aug. 23.

Saad Haddad governor of Beirut
As a matter of fact, the pressures and "contacts" between Israel and Gemayel began with the invasion of Lebanon on June 6, and the first pressure

that Israel exercised on Gemayel aimed at the Lebanese militia's participation in the military operations, by besieging West Beirut and helping the Israelis in hitting the Palestinian resistance and its Lebanese allies. Begin pressed his Defense Minister Sharon for the participation of the Lebanese Christian militia as this would provide a Lebanese cover to the invasion process and, consequently, lessen international pressure on Israel. Sharon went still further to hint once that the forces of renegade Lebanese Army Maj. Saad Haddad (supported by Israel) were ready to move toward Beirut. He also threatened that Haddad might be appointed military governor of Beirut, "if need be." However, Gemayel refused to take part in the invasion and exercised "pressure" on some military elements in his "Lebanese forces" so that they do not take part in the operation. Gemayel knew that any such step from his side would undermine any attempt that he might make to realize an Islamic-Christian conciliation in Lebanon, especially as he had at that time made his final resolve to nominate himself for the presidential elections. The Israelis were "reluctantly" satisfied but demanded free movement for their troops in East Beirut. When Israel occupied the whole of South Lebanon, it gradually handed it over to Haddad who prohibited the Phalangist elements and Gemayel's troops from entering the area.

Gemayel's policy threatens Begin's plots
After his election, Israeli pressure increased on Gemayel and, in the beginning, these took the form of allusion or "reminder" of the relation between Gemayel and Israel. Begin's cable in which he described the president-elect as a "friend," was followed by articles in the Israeli newspapers which spoke about the existing ties between the two sides. Then came Sharon's statement in which he "revealed" that he visited Beirut secretly in early 1982 and met with "Lebanese elements" while preparations were under way for the invasion of Lebanon. But that did not suffice, as the Israeli press and radio reported on Sept. 3 that a secret meeting had taken place between Gemayel and Begin, attended by Sharon and Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir in Naharia. During the meeting, they said, discussion was held on the "future Lebanese-Israeli relations." But Gemayel's office hastily denied the report of this meeting.

Whether such a meeting was held or not, information reveals that Israel demanded several things from Gemayel in one way or the other, which the president-elect refused to accept. Now come the important matters which Israel pressured on Gemayel for their realization and which created a "critical situation" between the two parties.

Begin reproved Gemayel for his political stances and statements since the invasion of Lebanon especially since his election as president. Begin considered Gemayel's rejection of demands as a big affront to him, and so he said that "Bashir Gemayel's policy threatens our plots in Lebanon, for we will appear to the world as if we did not embark on this battle without the will of the Lebanese but we did so to realize Israel's own objectives."

Begin considered that the "logical result" of the invasion of Lebanon is the signing of a peace accord between the two countries. As a matter of fact, before Gemayel's election as president, the Israeli Foreign Ministry experts had prepared a draft "peace treaty" containing a complete normalization of relations between Lebanon and Israel in various fields (just on the pattern of the Egyptian-Israeli treaty). It centered on the need for undertaking joint ventures and exploiting the Litani River water together. This was not a mere agreement to end the state of war and hostility between the two countries. In Begin's view, the signing of such a pact would "cover" the invasion process and show that Israel is "acceptable and welcome" by the Lebanese. This he thought would help in improving Israel's relations with America and lessening the international pressure on it. Begin, therefore, asked Gemayel after the latter's election to give a "written pledge" to sign this treaty, but Gemayel refused. The latter's stance was that he was not in a position to commit himself to signing the pact before assuming office and forming the first government.

In exchange, Gemayel proposed the signing of an agreement to end the state of hostility between the two countries on the tacit understanding that it would take place only after the withdrawal of the Israeli forces from all Lebanese territory. In regard to the peace pact, Gemayel reiterated that he was set to hold a referendum in this behalf. Begin got angry over this. On the other hand, Gemayel's intention was to establish "peaceful ties" with Israel in a gradual manner and after gaining sovereignty over the entire Lebanese territory. He, therefore, refused to sign the peace treaty as a "price" to be paid to Israel in lieu of the invasion process. In an interview with *Time* magazine, Gemayel said: "We are seeking a real and actual peace in Lebanon and the region. We shall discuss ways of realizing this peace when we have a central government and all foreign forces leave our land. If then anyone offers his friendship and the establishment of normal economic ties, the sincere Lebanese would accept the offer."

Gemayel threatened Haddad
Begin offered Gemayel Israel's "assistance" to build a strong Lebanese Army and proposed to send a large team of Israeli military experts to Lebanon to implement this task. What Begin had in mind was to make an attempt to create a "strong coordination" between the Lebanese and Israeli armies to pave the way for cooperation in the future in such tasks that might exceed the Lebanese framework. As a matter of fact, Begin did not "aspire" for this kind of relation with the Egyptian Army despite the signing of the Camp David accords. But he came forward with such a request to Lebanon in an attempt to make the Lebanese Army a "reserve" for the Israeli Army and the Lebanese state a "powerful ally" of the Zionist state. But Gemayel rejected this, saying he will seek American and French assistance in building the Lebanese Army. He also complained to the U.S. about the Israeli "offer."

Haddad was one of the Israeli factors pressuring Gemayel. Following Gemayel's refusal to "cover" the Israeli invasion through the participation of his forces, Begin and Sharon handed South Lebanon to Haddad from the Israeli borders to the Al-Awali River (after Sidon), and gave him wide powers. Haddad, on his part, stopped Gemayel from sending his forces or the Phalangist elements to the south. He practically refused to recognize any Lebanese authority until Lebanon signs a peace treaty with Israel. Haddad set up three leading centers in Sidon, Tyre and Nabatiyyeh to show that he was totally responsible for the south. Recently, Haddad prohibited the Lebanese Army from entering that region. After his election, Gemayel sent a verbal message to Haddad through a "common friend", telling him that he would not allow him to set up an "independent entity under his leadership in South Lebanon", after he assumed the presidential office. He told Haddad that he would not allow him to set up another Katanga in South Lebanon. Israel, however, rejected Gemayel's request to withdraw its supports for Haddad. Instead, Israel demanded the return of Haddad and his troops to the Lebanese Army and to give him a leading post in the army. Gemayel said he was prepared to study the idea of accepting Haddad in the army provided he showed "discipline" and remained under the legitimate authority. He refused the proposal of giving him a key post in the army but hinted at the possibility of sending him abroad as a diplomat. But Haddad remained a pressuring card in Israel's hand.

Gemayel asked the Israelis to withdraw their forces from Beirut before he assumes the presidential office on Sept. 23 and to facilitate the opening of the Beirut airport. Begin promised to study the request but he laid down three conditions for the airport's reopening. He said that Israel be allowed to use the runway for its military aircraft and the Israeli El Al airlines and passengers be allowed to land. Gemayel rejected these conditions saying these constituted a "clear infringement" on the Lebanese sovereignty.

Israel, however, wanted the borders to remain open in the south but Gemayel's intention was to close these borders after the withdrawal of the Israeli forces and to set up official posts and customs between the two countries. He wanted this so that the transit movement take the official channel and the situation should not remain loose, as was the

case since the Israeli invasion. Israel wanted to exploit this situation for the transit of its products so it could flood the Lebanese markets with its commodities.

Sharon's plan

Following the departure of the Palestinian resistance and its leadership from Beirut, Gemayel stood against the following two demands put forward by Israel:

1. Sharon wanted to dispatch the Israeli forces to West Beirut to "eliminate" nearly 2,000 commandos (who were born in Lebanon and had not left the Lebanese capital), or to take them captive and to disarm the elements of the nationalist movement and arrest the prominent among them. Israel needed some sort of a "Lebanese cover" for a fresh entry into West Beirut, as such a step was against the agreement entered into with U.S. envoy Philip Habib. But Gemayel opposed this demand and stressed that the control of the situation after the departure of the Palestinians was the responsibility of the Lebanese authority. It was then noticed that the Israeli forces stormed West Beirut and implemented their plot just a few hours after Gemayel's assassination.

2. The Israelis demanded that their elements be allowed entry into some Lebanese banks and to violate the law of "banks' secrecy", with a view to knowing the accounts of a large number of Palestinians and Lebanese. They wanted this on the pretext that they (the Palestinians and Lebanese) received funds from abroad for their political activity in Lebanon, and therefore they wanted to know the sources of these funds. Gemayel opposed this demand and, in this, he was supported by the Americans on the basis that the breach of banks' secrecy constituted a strong blow to the Lebanese economy. It has been observed that, after Gemayel's assassination, the Israelis stormed the Arab Bank building in Beirut (the PLO deals with this bank) and captured the files and secret papers to know the PLO's "financing sources" and of other personalities in Lebanon.

What America had promised Gemayel

Well-informed Lebanese sources say that Israel got very much annoyed at the strong relation built by Gemayel with the Americans since the beginning of 1982. Actually Israel wanted to become the "prime support" for Gemayel as that would have made the Lebanese government subservient to it. When the Israeli pressures increased on Gemayel, the latter expressed his open keenness on maintaining ties with America and on defending the "Western interests" in the area. In exchange, the Reagan administration responded to Habib's advice on the need for extending "every possible support" to Gemayel. Consequently, U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger was sent to Beirut to tell Gemayel that Washington strongly supported him and his policy and government. Some well-informed Lebanese sources also disclosed that Weinberger reiterated to Gemayel that the Reagan administration "would try to have the Syrian and Israeli forces withdraw from Lebanon within three to six months at the most," and would also employ all political and diplomatic persuasive means in this behalf. A Lebanese minister, who was very close to Gemayel, went to this extent by saying that there was an American pledge for the withdrawal of the Israeli forces from Beirut and most of the Lebanese territory before Lebanon's Independence Day on Nov. 22. At the same time, Gemayel asked Weinberger that America undertake the responsibility of preparing a gigantic program for the reconstruction of Lebanon and the boosting of its economy with financings from the U.S. some West European states and several Arab countries.

A French diplomat who recently returned from Beirut said: "What annoyed Israel in its relation with Gemayel was that the latter sincerely tried to build a political and military power for himself and his country, without any help from Israel." In a recently published article, Israel's former envoy to the U.N., Haim Hartzou said: "Bashir Gemayel cannot become an effective president of Lebanon and at the same time remain an ally of Israel." Gemayel, however, chose to become Lebanon's president.

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Israel plotted against Bashir Gemayel

Grand beautifying program under way

Jeddah's Corniche fascinates holidaymakers

By Radha Barari

JEDDAH — For anyone wishing to get away from the noise and bustle of the city, the Corniche provides a natural escape route. Long and winding, flanked by wayside lagoons and striking sculptures, the road follows the sea, seemingly to infinity. It is appropriate that there should be a program to beautify what is undoubtedly one of the most attractive parts of Jeddah. No regular visitor could fail to have noticed the amazing rapidity with which changes are being made on the face of the seaside.

Massive sculptures draw attention by the very fact of their ingenuity. A pair of hands raised in prayer; a flock of birds arrested in mid-flight; pieces of calligraphy rendered in stone; a pillar depicting the phases of the moon; two glowing green vases, larger than life; a giant crop of wheat; fish and sailing boats silhouetted in bronze — these are only some of the landmarks that punctuate the long stretch of road near the sea. At night, bright lights create gorgeous reflections in the water. Floodlights illuminate the surf beating against the rocks. Quaint little bridges break the monotony of the drive. Hawkers peddle their ware in brightly-lit stalls. An occasional jetty provides a haven for fishermen. For children, there are swings on the beach. Growing palms carry the promise of a green and cool drive in the years to come.

Every weekend, the Corniche is teeming with people out to have a good time — a mark of its growing popularity. With its natural beauty of sea and sand, and all the forms of recreation that it has to offer, it is the ideal place for a family picnic. Hundreds of holidaymakers, armed with food, TV sets, fishing tackle and other sports equipment, make a beeline for the Corniche during the weekend. Cars are parked along the entire stretch of road. An adventurous driver may take his car into the sand, parking it inches away from the water. Occasionally, a car is used to support a makeshift tent.

All along the beaches, people are to be seen, lolling on rugs, clustered under tents, or wading into the wide expanse of shallow water. Some, armed with spades, scan the seabed for shells and exquisite corals. Far away, a stretch of surf marks the point beyond which the seabed dips abruptly, giving way to deeper waters. An occasional sailing boat drifts gracefully across the distant horizon. Patient fishermen keep their vigil at strategic points. A sudden flash of silver indicates a catch. Darkness does not daunt these eager anglers. Even at night they patrol the waters, carrying flaming torches to attract the fish.

For the more athletic, the sea has a variety of water sports to offer. Strong swimmers enjoy themselves in the deeper waters. Snorkeling and scuba diving are popular with those interested in the fabulous marine life of the Red Sea. Inflated rubber boats, brightly colored balloons and other beach toys are prominently displayed in the stalls of the hawkers.

Children discover in the Corniche the playground of their dreams. During the weekend, the usually tranquil seafloor is transformed into a scene of blazing revelry. The numerous beaches are enlivened by the presence of hordes of children. Indulgent parents watch their little ones trying to make the most of their weekly outing. Swings and seesaws are in constant action. Sandcastles are built, broken down, and built again. The babble of excited childish voices merges with the



GREEN VASES: Massive sculptures punctuating the long stretch of road near the sea. At night, bright lights create gorgeous reflections of these landmarks in the sea.

Photographs by Giovanni Pasquale

sound of the sea. Vividly colored clothes and toys transfigure the sandy beach into a riot of brilliant colors. Hawkers work overtime to satisfy the demands of a host of little customers. The sand is pitted with the imprints of small exploring feet. Inquisitive young heads crane over the railings of the jetties, trying to get a closer look at the crabs clinging to the glistening rocks. Innocent eyes gaze in wide-eyed fascination as a fisherman hauls in his catch. Little hands grope in the sand, searching for a shell or a pebble that can be carried home as a souvenir. Youths with gleaming brown bodies splash around in the sparkling, foaming water. Young children roll and tumble in the sand, engrossed in a game which only they can understand. The sun beats down on a scene pulsating with life. Tents and TV sets, adults

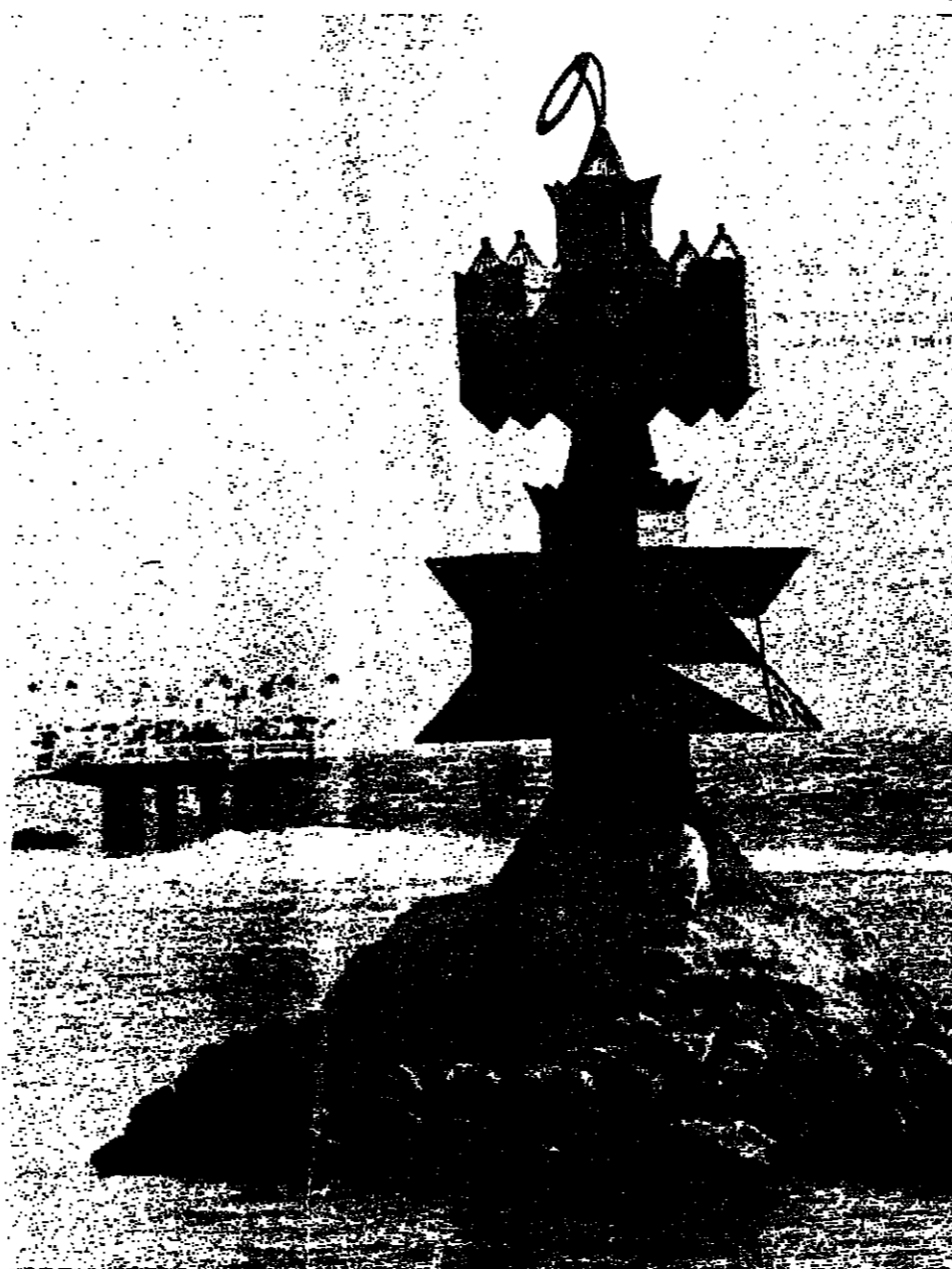
and children, cars and hawkers, swimmers and fishermen — all are part of the general air of gaiety that makes this one of the brightest sports in Jeddah.

When it is time for a meal, the entire family gathers under a tent or on a rug. Hampers of food are unpacked, and they settle down with relish to make short work of their lunch. The meal over, the children return to their games with unflagging energy, while the adults resume their leisurely pastimes.

The sun sets, in a blaze of flaming colors. Darkness descends. The lights come on, throwing lovely reflections in the water. There is a steady stream of cars on the road, creating a moving chain of head-

lights. Casual strollers make the most of the pleasant seabreeze. TV sets are turned on, as families settle down to an evening's entertainment. The more musically inclined have their cassette players by their side. In the distance, the tall fountain turns green, then yellow then white, as if by a touch of magic.

The hours pass, and the crowds slowly dwindle away. There is less traffic, and the parked cars begin to move away, one by one. Only some lonely souls are left, gazing at the water as if hypnotized, and a few fishermen, determined to continue their long vigil. Late at night, the scene is once again quiet and tranquil. The street lights shine across a calm expanse of sand and water. The weekend is over.



JEDDAH'S TRANQUIL SEAFRONT: Floodlights illuminate the surf beating against the rocks at night. An ambitious program to beautify one of the most attractive parts of the city is under way.

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Israel plotted against Bashir Gemayel

Gemayel was not a puppet

Israel's annoyance with Gemayel could be summed up thus:

1. Gemayel refused to become the "passage" through which Israel could realize many of its ambitions and consolidate its influence there. Gemayel expressed his preparedness not only to establish cordial and peaceful relations with Israel but to develop them gradually. But he refused to be a "subservient" to Israel, as is the case with Afghan President Babrak Karmal with Moscow.

2. Israel was greatly annoyed over Gemayel's leaning toward America in order to get rid of Tel Aviv's pressure. Israel was also irritated that Gemayel regularly complained to America against it either through U.S. Ambassador in Beirut Delon or Habib or other American personalities.

3. After his election as president, Gemayel opened channels of contact with several Arab circles and tried to reach "some sort of understanding" with Damascus on the withdrawal of Syrian forces from Lebanon. Any rapprochement between Gemayel and the Arabs irritated Israel.

4. In his priorities, Gemayel included the realization of an understanding with the Lebanese Muslims, as he knew that such an understanding would boost his authority and

government and facilitate his future relations with the Arabs. Israel, however, knew it well that this understanding with the Muslims and Arabs cannot be achieved if Gemayel remains its ally.

Perhaps one of the significant steps Gemayel took in this direction was his meeting with former Lebanese Premier Saeb Salam, who is a prominent Muslim personality. Salam was keen to keep his dialogue with Gemayel strictly confidential, but informed Lebanese sources stated that Gemayel spoke in the meeting with great frankness and briefed Salam on the Israeli "pressure" and its reasons. After this meeting, Salam declared his support for Gemayel and stressed that the past should be forgotten and a new page be opened. But, after Gemayel's assassination, Salam said: "Gemayel informed me about the great pressure the Israelis exercised on him. The Israelis had believed that Bashir Gemayel would be a puppet in their hands, but they realized their mistake. In fact, the Israelis had not wanted a powerful man for Lebanon... Those who call for a reconciliation between the Muslims and Christians in Lebanon are in danger. A conciliation among all Lebanese is the thing that raised greatest fear in the Israelis."

The arrest of Gemayel's close aide

A few days before Gemayel's assassina-

tion, the Israelis played the "South Lebanon card" in an attempt to either blackmail or embarrass Gemayel. Sharon announced that Israel would create a 45-km demilitarized zone in the south if Lebanon did not sign a peace treaty with it. But the most convincing thing was said by Haddad to an American newspaper on the eve of Gemayel's assassination. He said his forces would continue to hold sway over South Lebanon, from the Israeli borders to the Al-Awali River (a distance of 45 kms) until a peace pact was signed with Israel. He also said that he would cooperate with Gemayel if the latter cooperated with Begin and that Gemayel needed Israel's assistance to consolidate his position.

Who actually killed Bashir Gemayel? Was he assassinated by the Israelis themselves or killed on the orders of the Israelis? Evidently, Gemayel as a powerful man of Lebanon would not realize the objectives of Israel. Therefore, Begin did not only send his troops to Lebanon to strike at the PLO and to expel its forces and the Syrians but also played this major game in order to realize "Lebanese" aims in Lebanon. Begin believed that Gemayel would be a ruler who would transform Lebanon into a country through which it would be easy to implement Israeli plots, but he was surprised that Gemayel was not so.

Many analysts and those well-acquainted with the secret matters in Beirut feel inclined to say that Israel killed Gemayel and that the basic aim of his assassination was to keep Lebanon weak and disintegrated and a "blackmail card" in Begin's hand. After Gemayel's assassination, Israel tried to deal a major blow to the Phalangist Party. However, the timing of Gemayel's killing had its close link with Begin's attempt to abort Reagan's initiative by keeping Lebanon a "hot and open front" vulnerable to any possibilities.

There are some others who say that prominent elements in the "Lebanese forces" — Gemayel's militiamen — exploited the strain prevailing between him and Israel and killed him either in coordination with Tel Aviv or to achieve their own objectives. But confirmed information received from well-informed Lebanese sources reveals that, after Gemayel's assassination, the Phalangist Party arrested a prominent official in the "Lebanese forces" who had worked with Gemayel since the beginning of the war and had for some time past assumed security responsibilities in Beirut. He and other elements connected with him are now being interrogated, in camera, to know the dimensions of the conspiracy and the Israelis' link with it.

How the murder took place

At 3:50 p.m. on Sept. 14, Gemayel reached the party headquarters in his black car to preside over the party's weekly meeting. But on this particular day, the meeting was extraordinary as it was to be the last before Gemayel's assumption of office. More than 100 political and military officials of the party and the "Lebanese forces" attended the meeting to pave the way for deploying the Lebanese Army in eastern Beirut and make preparations for disarming the militias. At 4:07 p.m. a big explosion ripped the 3-story building apart, killing Gemayel and a large number of attending members and injuring many others. Gemayel's fate was, however, not known for a few hours. Even Camille Chamoun, a former president, told one of his close mates two hours after the explosion that "we do not know where Bashir is." Very late in the night Gemayel was pronounced killed when his brother Amin recognized him through a wedding ring and a greeting cable in his pocket.

Inquests later revealed that the 300-kg explosive was laid on the building's roof, reportedly concealed in sand bags, and was dynamited through a remote control. It was also revealed that the entire operation was engineered and implemented by "first grade

experts" from "within", meaning from the close mates.

Israel's version of the story

It is interesting to note that the Israeli intelligence machinery gave some "information" to a French magazine on the incident. It said that East German elements working for Moscow were responsible for the operation. According to this "information", two men and a woman arrived at the entrance to the party's building a day before the explosion, and showed their cards to the guards which proved they were from the "Lebanese forces". The three were carrying heavy bags which the guards opened and found them packed with "blankets" and shirts. The three said that the party needed these on the occasion of Gemayel's assuming the presidential office. The guards then allowed them entry. The "information" further says that the explosives were hidden among the clothes. They were said to be devoid of any smell and good to "mix" with anything. This high-power device was blasted from a distance of 200 meters. The "information" also contained that Communist experts had prepared this material. From that time on, the Israelis have spread various stories on the identity of Gemayel's assassins.

In Third World

Baby food war is stepped up

By Alastair Matheson

NAIROBI (LOS) — The Commonwealth secretariat is joining forces with the United Nations to fight unscrupulous marketing of baby food in backward countries.

The clash has arisen mainly over the aggressive methods used by some manufacturers to sell their products, such as giving gullible mothers the impression that feeding formula foods in the "modern" way to bring up infants, supplying free samples to antenatal clinics and employing qualified nurses to endorse and demonstrate the use of their products.

For the last two years, the World Health Organization (WHO) and the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) have been trying to persuade Third World governments to accept an international code for the marketing of breast-milk substitutes as a model for national legislation of their own.

Some of the larger baby food manufacturers are putting pressure on governments to weaken the code, or even to accept a different code devised by the industry itself.

The two U.N. bodies already have widespread support for their campaign from consumer groups and international experts on infant health, as well as from an influential lobby which advocates that mother's milk is

best, especially for very young infants whose health is protected by the antibodies which are present in breast milk but not in formula foods.

The argument in favor of breast milk is the strongest in the Third World, where formula foods are often mixed with contaminated water, or in dirty containers, causing serious intestinal disorders. UNICEF estimates that as a result more than 10 million babies a year run serious health risks — often fatal — in developing countries.

Only a few Third World countries have yet drawn up effective legislation to control the marketing of infant foods. Of the 157 member states of WHO, for instance, only 20 have regulations of some sort, and only half-a-dozen have effective regulations.

A Swiss-based organization, the International Baby Food Action Network has recorded more than 2,000 "violations" by multinationals in 37 countries. These include the distribution of promotional material to health care facilities endorsing formula foods, and the supply of free samples to health workers. In one African country a senior government health official was persuaded to allow his own child's photograph to appear on a promotional poster for one major baby food manufacturer in Europe.

The legal adviser of the Commonwealth

secretariat, Margaret Owen, has recently been in Nairobi while on a study tour of Commonwealth countries considering legislation governing baby food marketing methods. This is in preparation for a secretariat workshop to be held in Harare, Zimbabwe, next year to consider the most effective ways of controlling sales and promotion.

Some of the delegates will be from countries which have already experienced serious problems over formula foods when used in unhygienic conditions.

One Commonwealth country, Papua New Guinea, has banned the sale of baby feeding bottles and teats without doctors' prescriptions. This was done to counter the ill-effects caused when infant formulas are given to babies by illiterate mothers unable to read the warnings.

While in Nairobi, Margaret Owen expressed concern over Kenya's draft code, describing it as "funny" because it appeared to include provisions drawn up by manufacturers and was based only loosely on the WHO/UNICEF International Code.

In Kenya, instead of making the Health Ministry responsible for implementing the international code, the government has given the job to the Bureau of Standards.

Bahamas resort becomes refugee jumping-off point

BIMINI, The Bahamas (AP) — Many South Floridians know this tiny island as an inviting spot for weekend vacations spent sunbathing, skin diving and sportfishing.

But for job-hungry refugees — throughout the Caribbean basin, in West Germany, even in Mainland China — Bimini has gained a reputation as a way station on the route to the United States.

"Bimini seems to have become a real jumping-off point for illegals bound for the United States," said Beverly McFarland, a U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service spokeswoman in Miami.

Florida marine patrol agents late Monday caught 15 Bangladeshis natives and one Indian native aboard a small boat from Bimini, officials said. Since April 2, U.S. officials have captured 64 Bangladeshis along South Florida's shores.

Dozens more have probably escaped, conceded Triant Carr, deputy chief of the U.S. border patrol in Miami.

Officials say the Bangladeshis came from West Germany, by way of Bimini, because such foreign laborers aren't able to find work during the worldwide economic downturn.

"This is a new trend," said officer Angel Vega of the state marine patrol in Miami. In the past, Bimini — 80 kms from South Florida — has been used by Cubans, Haitians and Colombians as a "jumping-off point."

The Bangladeshis have told similar stories, of buying a \$560 roundtrip British Airways ticket for Nassau from Frankfurt. In Nassau, smugglers help route them to Bimini, then South Florida, authorities say.

"We've heard that the deal is that you pay anywhere from \$300 to \$600 other people claim they've paid up to \$1,000. They usually come over in small motorboats. Some turn out to be small boats stolen from South Florida," Miss McFarland said.

Miss McFarland said that earlier this summer, INS agents arrested a small group of would-be refugees from Communist China. She didn't know the precise number of Chinese, who are being held with other illegal aliens at the Krome Avenue refugee camp West of Miami.

"(The Chinese) emigrated to Hong Kong, apparently having heard of a way to get to the U.S. while they were in China. They then booked legitimate passage on a freighter from Hong Kong to the Bahamas, then attempted illegal entry to the U.S.," Miss McFarland said, adding that the Chinese aliens were strangers who apparently acted independently.

Cuban and Haitian refugees in Miami often help ferry the illegal aliens from Bimini, Miss McFarland said. "When they need a few bucks, they go over," Carr said. "It is not one big master group. There's a whole slew of operations working through the same recruiters."

To save one's ego

Reasons & rationalizations

By Y. Tahir

Most of the time most of the people remain busy in making excuses, offering justifications or giving reasons for what they have done, have failed to do or have not done so well. Actually, as everybody knows, if you want to do a thing, there are always many reasons for doing it, and if you don't want to do it, it is not difficult to think of a hundred and one equally strong reasons for not doing it. Intentions have a strange way of showing themselves through man's practical actions.

The excuses and the rationalizations become necessary when a person sets out to do something but fails to achieve the intended result. These help save one's ego from injury and leave one's pride intact. A writer may console himself for not having been able to write the masterpiece he's been dreaming of all his life by saying, "When I have the desire to write, I get no time for it."

Had he said, "when I have the time, I have no desire for writing," he would have been closer to truth, but few people care to acknowledge the truth in private or admit it in the presence of others.

Some explanations may be so poignant, simple and brief that they leave no room for any further comment. One such reply is made to this oft-repeated question, "why are you late?" Answer: "because I got late." Or the question by a vexed parent as he greets the late homecoming of his grown-up son, "where have you been all this time?" gets this all-embracing response, "Oh! I was out!"

Unless one is prepared to put the parent-child relations in jeopardy in these days of so-called modern consciousness, a not-too-curious parent wouldn't care to pry any further.

A student can flunk an important test by this perfectly valid explanation, "o, the test was really very easy, but to my bad luck, I developed a terrible headache/fever/toothache etc. that very day." What better or more satisfying explanation than this can there be!

It is never easy to blame oneself if something goes wrong. Very few people are capable of realizing that nothing could or would have gone wrong had proper care been taken and the correct way for doing it adopted. But no, a person would insist that he was absolutely correct the way he handled the job, but external factors, completely beyond his control, were responsible for the not-so-satisfactory results. Most often the circumstances or the inauspicious times are blamed for something that has not been done at all or has been done in a not too praiseworthy manner.

The circumstances, the times and the chances are the best sources for all rational-

ization. They take the blame for almost everything. Hamlet found that the time was out of joint, so he was helpless to take any action. A nice excuse to cover up his own weakness and lack of action. Well, if the times are unfavorable, there is precious little one can do, can he?

Nobody can quarrel with a person for desiring something. Everyone is free to hope or wish for anything he wants out of life. But unfortunately, most people think, that what they desire, they deserve it too. To aspire for the moon is all right by itself, but to delude oneself into believing that one deserves it also, is carrying the thing a little too far.

Many people labor under the erroneous impression that they are getting much less from life than their work or merit entitles them to; and this is the beginning of mischief in the offices and other places of work. Once a man considers that he deserves a higher position, he starts a strategic campaign. Such a person may not even stop short of employing unethical or unfair means, such as backbiting or spying on his own colleagues, and he is not even deterred by the bad reputation he so well deserves. If despite using these underhand methods he fails to get what he wants, as he certainly would fail, he might then develop a paranoiac outlook, blaming others for his own lack of success or accusing them of conspiring against him. A meritorious person who really deserves has no need for any of these methods.

A frustrated person, jealous of the success of others, develops the tendency to ascribe their present fortunate position to favoritism or to just plain luck. "Luck" becomes the most satisfactory explanation to describe the success of others and is very convenient in rationalizing one's own failure in life. "Bad luck" or "lack of chances" is responsible for all. "I have been unlucky in life!" He consoles himself.

Many think that they have been unlucky in their marriage, unlucky in their career, unlucky in their business, unlucky with their children.

These self-pitying "unlucky" persons console themselves by quoting or misquoting things like, "Luck favors the fools." The thought that they never deserved what they desire or the possibility that they might not have chosen the right methods never crosses their minds even once. You don't normally miss your flight because of bad luck, but because you didn't make it to the airport in time.

Indeed there seems to be some truth in the saying that we get what we really deserve in life; but not many realize this truth. Missed opportunities or lack of chances might have been there, but life is shaped by what we have, and not by what we lack.

CARPAL TUNNEL SYNDROME



By Peter J.

Steincrohn

M.D., F.A.C.P.

(Replies to and from readers):

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: A few months ago, I suddenly tripped and fell. My right wrist bore most of my weight. Except for pain and stiffness for about two weeks, I forgot all about the accident. But lately, I've noticed other trouble in that same wrist. I've had numbness in my fingers and even in back of my wrist and lower arm. Nothing helps. I've taken aspirin and soaked the wrist in warm water and Epsom salts. At times, the numbness is so bad, that it wakes me from sleep. Could it be due to arthritis? I'm only 31 and otherwise healthy. — Mr. B.

Dear Mr. B.: Why guess about arthritis? Haven't you had X-rays taken of the wrist? And of the neck region, too? Whenever there's persistent numbness and hand pain, always consider the possibility that cervical arthritis and nerve pressure may be present.

However, unilateral numbness in hand and fingers makes one suspect the possibility of carpal tunnel syndrome. I'm sure you've heard about it. But I doubt it's related to your fall. In many patients, the numbness gets worse after driving or otherwise using the hands. Some patients complain more of pain than of numbness. The diagnosis is confirmed by special neurological examinations. Therefore, Mr. B., I suggest you consult a neurologist. Treatment will vary. Wearing night-splints or being injected with steroids is often helpful. If such treatment is ineffective, surgery may be indicated to release pressure on the median nerve. What I've been saying, Mr. B., stop guessing.

MEDICALETTERS

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: Whenever I get a headache, I find that two aspirins — sometimes repeated in a few hours — take care of the pain. But invariably, I get heartburn and a stomach upset. The ads say there's another drug that's just as effective. Is there? — Mrs. L.

Dear Mrs. L.: Perhaps you're referring to acetaminophen. This controls the pain as well, but there's this drawback: It is not effective in conditions that are inflammatory. Therefore, they don't work well in all kinds of arthritis. But, it has fewer side effects and less toxicity than aspirin. Ask your doctor if it will make a good substitute.

For Mrs. J.: In the treatment of morbid obesity, stomach-stapling has become more popular than bypass intestinal surgery.

Morbid obesity? That's twice or more than the patient's ideal weight. If the operation is successful, the patient feels full after only a few bits of food. Nevertheless, there's a strict diet to follow. Otherwise, patients will begin overeating and stretching the stomach again and have the same old weight problems.

For Ms. D.: One estimate is that 10 percent of Americans between 65-80 suffer from a mixture of anxiety and depression, that may be your grandmother's problem. We have excellent new medication that is helpful. But, sometimes confusion results, and there may be sudden fall in blood pressure in very old patients. Management of drug therapy should be under strict medical supervision.

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Pacific exercises

U.S. naval strategy called into question

By Keith Stafford

ABOARD THE USS Midway AT SEA (R) — The future of aircraft carriers has been called into question recently but the USS Midway, commissioned in 1945, is still regarded as a vital link in the U.S. Navy's world strategy.

The Midway, is the oldest operation U.S. carrier. Its keel was laid at Newport News, Virginia, nearly 40 years ago during World War II. But the Midway still plays its part as one of 13 U.S. big-carrier battle groups.

U.S. Navy Secretary John Lehman has outlined plans to increase the number of such battle groups to 15, the newest of which will form around the nuclear-powered 91,500-ton Carl Vinson, launched at Newport News in 1979.

The conventionally powered Midway, with 4,500 men aboard, has been conducting anti-submarine exercises lately with the Japanese Navy and when Lehman visited it, two TU-16 Soviet badger aircraft appeared nearby.

A-7 Corsairs flew wingtip-to-wingtip with the Soviet aircraft until they disappeared, adding to the history of the carrier's air wing. This wing started its life on the carrier Yorktown, which later sank with all battleflags flying at the battle of the Midway against the Japanese.

The Midway's task is to balance the growing might of the Soviet Pacific fleet. Gen. Charles Donnelly, commander, U.S. forces Japan, has described this fleet as the largest in the Soviet navy, and said that with its aircraft carrier Minsk and Kara-Class missile cruisers, it presents the U.S. and Japan "with urgent security challenges."

The Japanese Defense Ministry says movements of the Soviet fleet around Japan and increasing. Although a defense white paper this month said Japan needed to raise its defense capability, there are no plans for any Japanese aircraft carriers. So in exercises with the Japanese ships the Midway provides its air wing of Corsairs, A-6 Intruders, F-4 Phantoms and support aircraft.

In Falklands War

U.K. came close to defeat

By Harold Jackson

WASHINGTON (G) — The British task force in the Falklands came perilously close to defeat, according to one of America's leading military publications. In its September issue, *The Armed Forces Journal* says that "with only slightly more luck and with better bomb fusing, (the Argentine Air Force) might well have forced the British task force to withdraw."

A long study of the campaign — running to 12 pages of analysis and charts — has been contributed by Anthony Cordesman, once an official with NATO and with the defense secretary's office in the Pentagon. In the land battle for the islands, he comments, "The British were given an incredible amount of time to consolidate their landings and advance on Port Stanley, and were able to take many key objectives with little or no fighting."

He attributes this to "the rather peculiar conduct of the Argentine Army... which did so little fighting that British intelligence estimated its strength at around 8-10,000 men at a time when it was actually around 15,000". Cordesman describes the performance of Argentine land forces as "inferior to such debacles as the collapse of the South Vietnamese Army and of the Chinese Nationalists and probably marks the worst combat performance of any regular army in the postwar period."

It is a "matter of open record that both the U.S. and the U.K. could read Argentine signal traffic at all levels, and that the British intelligence committee had a considerable amount of evidence that the invasion might take place... high level sources in the U.S. confirm that the U.S. had ample indications that an invasion might take place, but ignored them as of minor importance to U.S. interests."

This initial intelligence failure, however, was quickly offset during the campaign. "The Falklands marked a new height of U.S. and

The aircraft and pilots are the natural focus of attention in the noisy, oily, routine along the 1.6-hectare flight deck where crewmen protected by soundproof helmets operate the seaborne runway swathed in the stench of petrol and steamclouds from the catapults.

Deep in the ship, sailors, airmen and marines take 13,000 meals a day, munching their way through 1,000 loaves of bread, 5,000 pounds of vegetables, 4,500 pounds of meat and 20,000 pounds of dry goods.

A never-ending supply of coffee, and water, comes from the 454,000-liters a day desalination plant. Contact through the ship is maintained by over 1,500 telephones. There is a host of recreational activities and all that flight deck on which to jog around in the morning sun and fresh sea breezes.

The future of carriers has been questioned lately because some see them as large, vulnerable targets for guided missiles. *The New York Times* said in a recent editorial: "Ignoring the main fiery lesson of the Falklands conflict, which dramatized the high vulnerability of surface ships to attack by computer-guided missiles, the U.S. Navy is pressing forward with its record \$168 billion five-year procurement program. That is pure folly."

"The whole program represents the thinking of the carrier admirals who have dominated strategy since Pearl Harbor." Rear Adm. Thomas Brown, commander of the carrier strike force, Seventh Fleet, countered this view by saying: "One lesson learned out there was that you need air superiority to engage in amphibious operations."

The idea that the age of the carrier has passed was also dismissed by the navy secretary. He said carriers in World War II faced the most formidable guided weapons ever — the Japanese Kaitaka suicide planes, and lessons learned then meant today's big carriers were protected with multiple hulls, impenetrable magazines, anti-missile missiles, close-in defense automatic cannon and crews highly trained to deal with fire.

Some missiles fired during the Falklands crisis failed to detonate and one hit a ship it wasn't aimed at, he said. "The missile threat has been very much overblown."

Soviet activity in using advanced intelligence assets to support a third-party conflict. The Soviets launched a major cosmo satellite program to support the Argentinians with data on British ship movements and the U.S. provided (the British) valuable photo and other intelligence data."

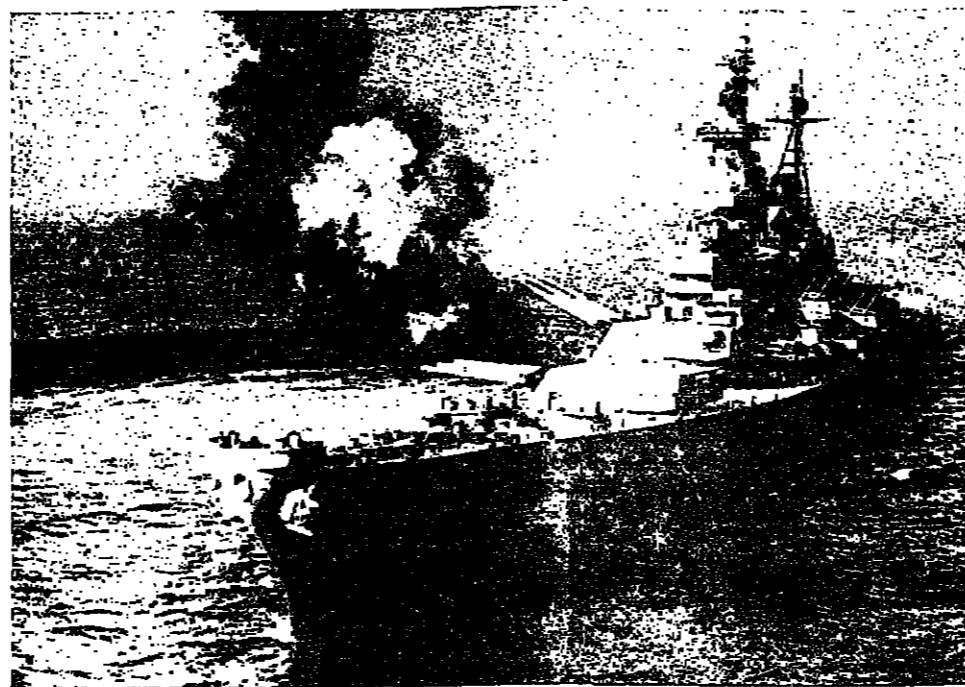
Cordesman gives a high rating to the Argentine Air Force. "It is now apparent that Argentine pilots rapidly adapted to flying very demanding low altitude sorties, that they could penetrate British air and missile defenses when they concentrated large numbers of aircraft on a given target."

The Air Force's opposition to the first major British landing was "a highly creditable job" which "forced the two British carriers to operate outside the range of the Argentinian Air Force and, with only slightly more luck and better bomb fusing, they might well have forced the British task force to withdraw."

Cordesman says that the British Harrier aircraft would have been unable to mount an effective air screen without the American AIM-9L sidewinder air-to-air missile. He also describes as "nonsense" reports of "vectored forward in flight" dogfights — where Harriers were supposed to have stopped dead in their tracks by maneuvering their vertical take off engines.

He is far more skeptical than earlier commentators about the effectiveness of the French Exocet missile. "Its 42-kilometer range and active-radar homing severely limited its capabilities. Only two of the six launches hit their target. The hit on the *Sheffield* did not explode: the hit on the *Glen Morgan* did not sink the ship; and the hit on the *Atlantic Conveyor* occurred when a missile was diverted by chaff."

"So much attention has been paid to the fact that a \$200,000 Exocet can sink a \$50 million destroyer and so little to the fact that less than \$5,000 worth of MK-80 general purpose bombs or \$13,000-worth of laser-guided bombs can do the same thing."



"MIGHTY HO": The American vintage battleship *Missouri*, or "Mighty Ho," which is being updated with modern missiles.

Broken dreams of Scottish Highlands

By Alison Maitland

INVERGORDON, Scotland — Once a symbol of a bright new economic future for the Scottish Highlands, the huge Invergordon aluminum smelter now stands silent and empty except for a handful of demolition men.

The short life of the smelter, which brought boom-time prosperity to this remote little port on Scotland's northeast coast when it opened 11 years ago, ended as dramatically as it began, leaving a legacy of unemployment and broken dreams.

The smelter foundered on a slump in world demand for aluminum, spiraling energy costs and a dispute over outstanding electricity bills amounting to 47 million sterling (\$80 million).

The prospect of secure employment it once offered had attracted hundreds of workers from depressed areas of Scotland and northern England to the small town on the Cromarty Firth estuary.

One was Mike Moran, a shift supervisor at the smelter, who says he was completely surprised and shattered by the closure. "We moved here to start a new life for ourselves," he says.

"This is home, we don't know any other place." Today, nine months after the smelter closed, at least half the work force of 890 remains unemployed.

It was, in the words of the government-appointed Highlands and Islands Develop-

ment Board, a profound disaster. Not only was the smelter the biggest manufacturing employer in one of the poorest regions of Britain, but there are almost no other jobs available.

Manufacturing throughout Britain has been the sector worst hit by the recession and Scotland has had a big share of disasters in the past two years, including the shut-down of the French-owned Talbot car plant at Linwood, near Glasgow, with the loss of 5,000 jobs.

But the tragedy of Invergordon was all the greater because it had promised so much. "We were cocooned here. It was a good area to be in," says Bob Ruddle, a district councillor and chairman of the workers action committee set up to try to save the smelter. "Then all of a sudden this area was devastated."

Five to 10 years ago, northeast Scotland was booming as North Sea oil brought unaccustomed prosperity to Aberdeen and other coastal towns. Invergordon, with its sheltered deep water port and surrounding flat land, was chosen as a prime site for one of three British smelters the then Labor government planned in the late 1960s to try to make Britain self-sufficient in aluminum.

But the short-term boom petered out. Today even the oil-related industries, which might have provided jobs a year or two ago, are taking on few new workers.

Jim McFadden, who moved up with his

Acapulco drops prices to lure foreign tourists

By Soli Sussman

ACAPULCO, Mexico (AP) — A lobster plate at the Embarcadero now costs the equivalent of \$12, down from \$24 last winter. The chicken at Carlos n' Charlie's, a jaunty spot in the heart of the tourist strip, is down to half the old price too.

The tourism industry here is trying to end its two-season slump and lure back tourists with prices lowered by two devaluations of the peso this year. But officials are cautious about predicting a sudden rush of foreign visitors to this lush beach resort city.

Eugenio Imaz Gispert, the tourism department's director of operations, said hotel occupancy rates rose in July and August after months of steady decline. "We consider this year as the year of recovery," he said, adding that December reservations at hotels were also significantly up.

Tourism is Mexico's second-most important source of foreign exchange after oil. It plays a key role in the dollar-scarce treasury's plans to settle a \$80 billion foreign debt, the largest in the developing world.

Hotel prices, although certain to rise star-

ting Jan. 1, are now about one-third of what they were before the February devaluation. Imaz said foreign tourists had stopped coming because prices here simply were too high. Hawaii, the Caribbean and even Europe became more reasonable alternatives.

At the Embarcadero restaurant, which combines maritime and jungle decor, manager Raul Herrera said prices will not be raised before January in a joint effort with other restaurants and clubs to keep Acapulco prices reasonable. He said any increase then would be as little as possible, probably less than 20 percent.

Hotel prices for the Acapulco winter season, which lasts from the middle of December until April, have not been set yet. But hotel spokesmen say they will be lower than last year when one large double room cost \$95 or more a night.

Economic rules and regulations have poured forth almost daily as the government struggles to solve the country's economic crisis. Consequently the peso has varied in value. It fell as low as 150 to the dollar for a brief period in August, giving tourists with dollars unexpectedly rock-bottom prices, before the government set its value at 70.

Last February each dollar bought 27 pesos, before the first devaluation of the year sent the Mexican currency sliding. Inflation estimated to top 60 percent this year has eroded some of the dollar's increased purchasing power.

Joaquin Granados, sales manager at the Condesa del Mar said he did not expect the winter season to be quite as bad as it was the past two years, when high prices caused business to decline in this Pacific resort. Tourists are "still insecure and confused," he said. "We have to wait."

Dora Camarero at La Palapa said she expected a full recovery by the 1983 winter season. "It takes a while to change the mentality of people," she said. Most American tourists in Acapulco visit during the winter.

The crunch hit Acapulco, a major tourist destination in Mexico, from two directions: in the past two seasons, Mexicans found their peso, artificially propped up by the government, bought bargains abroad. They traveled more frequently. Foreigners found Mexico increasingly expensive and stayed away. Tourist industry spokesmen here also blame the international economic recession for hurting business.

Figures compiled by the state tourism department show a drop in foreigners registered at the local airport from 56,000 in January 1980 to 46,000 in January 1981 to 39,000 this January.

The decline hurt even more because hotel capacity was growing to 20,000 rooms with a proliferation of new towers along the coast of Acapulco bay.

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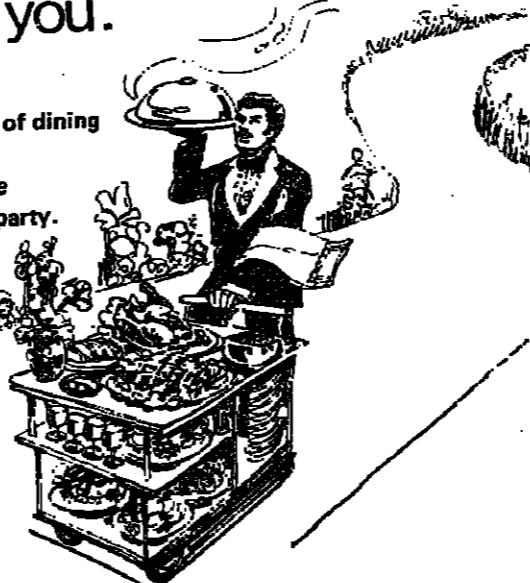
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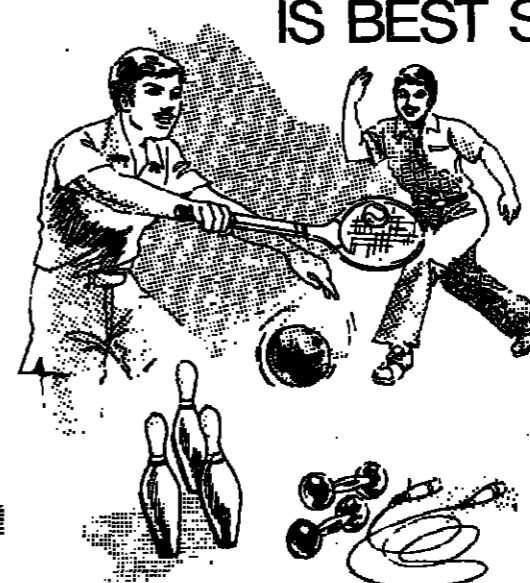
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Common approach to debts urged

U.K. banks see base rate at 9%

LONDON, Sept. 24 (R) — The downswing in U.K. base lending rates is likely to stabilize around 9 percent over the coming year, down from 10.5 percent at present, with minimal signs of potential upward pressures, London clearing bank chiefs told Reuters.

In interviews with Reuters, they said rate volatility is on the wane, though opinions differed on the risks to banking confidence posed by the international syndicated credit crisis.

A common approach to accounting for sovereign bad and doubtful debts ought to be worked out under Bank of England and inland revenue auspices, market sources added.

Barclays Bank senior general manager John Quinton, in charge of UK banking, said UK short-term interest rates could bottom out around mid-1983 at some eight to 9.5 percent. But the next upward cycle should be shallower than recent swings in view of the deflationary environment.

Arguably, he said, deflation in the years ahead will prove more painful economically than the recent era of rising price inflation. National Westminster Bank chairman Robin Leigh-Pemberton said the bank's base rate could fall another one percent before year-end, with nine percent the likely low point beyond.

Leigh-Pemberton said looking into next year there seem to be few grounds for expecting any upward rate pressures, except possibly from the U.S. and barring the election of more refractory left-wing governments round the world, peaks and troughs in the inflation cycles could be lower through the 1980s, he added.

Midland Bank chief executive Geoffrey Taylor said the prospect of more stable rates over the next few years reflects slow economic activity, reduced OPEC money flows and a better general understanding, particularly in the U.S., of money supply con-

trol. Lloyds Bank chief executive Norman Jones agreed with other bank chiefs that U.S. short-term rates as low as 6 or 7 percent are not likely to be seen before the next upturn. He expects Lloyds' base rate to fall another 1 to 1.5 percent before touching bottom.

Questioned on the recent International Monetary Fund meeting in Toronto, Jones said supplementing of the fund by \$2 billion should suffice to cover known debt servicing problems. But there are some other potentially troubled country borrowers which could be joining the rescheduling lists. Problems with these credits, which he did not iden-

Labor hints at take over

LONDON, Sept. 24 (R) — Britain's opposition Labor Party announced proposals for the nationalization of one or more of the country's four major clearing banks if they failed to follow government financial strategy.

The proposals were published Thursday by Labor's study group on financial institutions and will be put to a vote at next week's annual party conference.

They provide for state take-over as a last resort of the banks refused to heed a Labor government's call for substantial changes in lending policies or to provide greater aid to industry. Such a move would follow initial attempts to control the banks through the influence of the Bank of England, Britain's central bank, and formal development plans. The party blames Britain's long-term industrial decline partly on lack on investment and the flow of funds abroad.

Poland faces meat shortage

WARSAW, Sept. 24 (R) — Poland could face one of its worst meat shortages for years this winter unless the authorities find a way of paying for essential grain and fodder imports, according to Western agricultural experts in Warsaw.

The experts, who follow Poland's food situation closely, said a top quality grain harvest meant the country was unlikely to run short of bread, something politically unthinkable even in the current dire economic crisis.

But the state of the meat supply will depend on the authorities' success in solving two key problems — how to persuade reluctant farmers to sell enough grain to the state and how to find cash or credit to supplement the 21 million tons of grain harvested this year, the experts said.

Shortages of food and particularly meat have sparked four postwar periods of unrest. Rationing for meat and other products was introduced last year and the official media have said cuts in the rations could be expected this winter.

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Agriculture Minister Jerzy Wojtecki has told foreign officials that Poland must import at least 3 million tons of grain and about 1.5 million tons of protein feed to keep the meat industry alive, diplomatic sources said. But this year, credit has dried up. France has so far refused to renew a credit agreement which ran out in July.

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tify, would mean the need for larger support schemes, he said.

Jones said the U.S. government is likely to find itself taking a greater role in sovereign refinancing programs in order to protect its heavily exposed commercial banking system. Lloyds is making bad debt provisions ranging up to 100 percent for some of its doubtful sovereign loans, he noted.

The bank's overall provisions for the 1982 first half amounted to 62.1 million sterling, level with the preceding six months but up from 24.3 million sterling a year ago.

Share analysts added that the UK banks were not regarded as dangerously overexposed in relation to their size. Corporate lending, particularly to North American companies, is creating the most immediate worry, they said.

Discussions with bank chiefs revealed that the approach to sovereign bad debt and doubtful loan provisions, which affect earnings, is in a transitional stage. Differences of approach reflect the relative novelty of the problem, analysts added. Corporate loan provisioning, also a charge on profits, remains essentially cut and dried.

Midland's Taylor said the bank's sovereign provisions up to mid-year were based on missed interest and principal. But provisions now are beginning to show part of total exposure. At present, Midland's second half exposure may not differ greatly from the 75 million sterling level seen in the last two half years.

Barclays Bank International senior general manager Peter Leslie said the bank takes the view that sovereign provisions should relate to unpaid current debt service because these loans, by their nature, should be ultimately recovered.

Leslie said rescheduling plans for Poland and Romania should enable the London clearers to avoid including particularly stark sovereign provisions in their 1982 accounts.

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Taipei to make latest robots

TAIPEI, Sept. 24 (CNA) — Science and Technology Administration is planning to make Taiwan No. 3 robots which will be able to lift objects weighing up to 20 kilograms.

A spokesman for the Hsinchu Science-based Industrial Park said the company, which was recently approved for setting up facilities in the park, is established and invested by the overseas Chinese scientists and engineers in the United States.

At present, the robot-making firm is actively embarking on the task of facilities establishment in the park.

Before moving to the park, the company has been working with an American concern on the production of Taiwan No. 1 and No. 2 robots, which are expected to be delivered to buyers on Oct. 1, 1982. The No. 3 robots the company is planning to manufacture will have more capabilities than the previous models.

The spokesman for the park also pointed out another American firm, Qume, has been recently approved by the government of the Republic of China to set up facilities in the park to produce software, magnetic disks, printers and computer terminals.



ADVANCED SOLAR SYSTEM: One of the biggest solar heating projects in Europe, is seen here in Marau in Upper Bavaria, West Germany. The newly installed system comprises of 270 solar panels which produce 428 kilowatts of heat. The advanced unit supplies a hospital clinic which specializes in the treatment of accident cases.

Despite global crisis

Abidjan economy looking up

ABIDJAN, Sept. 24 (AFP) — Industry in Ivory Coast has suffered badly from the world crisis but is maintaining its growth rate, and is expected to expand steadily in coming years, the Ivory Coast Chamber of Industry said at its annual general meeting.

With production up 10 percent in 1981, Industry Minister Maurice Seri Gaoieba told the meeting: "Ivory Coast will soon have sufficient surplus to finance new investment."

He noted that many of the country's resources were unexploited, and that many of its commodities were expected to see prices rise. Confidence abroad in Ivory Coast was an additional factor.

During 1981, the number of companies in operation rose 1 percent, capital raising was up 7 percent, turnover rose 24 percent. The workforce dropped 2 percent while the wage bill increased 7 percent.

The chamber stressed that the number of companies had risen from 375 in 1971 to 711 in 1981. Of the latter figure, some 300 were small concerns: 200 bakeries and 96 print works.

Over the past few years, the capital invested in companies has been rising 10 to 20 percent per annum. Ivory Coast participation has steadily risen in terms of absolute value and is now 65 percent, the state

accounting for 52 percent and private Ivory Coast investors 13 percent.

French capital has risen in absolute value but now accounts for 21 percent against 40 percent in 1976. More than a score of other countries have a 14 percent interest, including Switzerland, Lebanon, the United States, the Benelux countries, Britain, West Germany and Japan.

Industrial investment has gone up about 15 percent yearly over the past few years, or some \$120 million. In 1980, there was a big jump of around \$700 million as a result of the commissioning of the Taabo hydroelectric plant, two sugar mills and the beller oil site. In 1981, investment is estimated at \$500 million.

The chamber said overall turnover by industry had been rising an average 23 percent over the past decade. As production rose 10 percent last year, prices went up 9 percent. The home market accounted for 60.5 percent of industry's total sales.

In 1980-81, exports were 37 percent of total turnover against 32 percent in the previous year and 26 percent before that. However the pineapple sector was among certain industries meeting problems. As to raw materials, 64 percent were from Ivory Coast against 51 percent in 1975.

Farming holds key to eradicating poverty

MANILA, Sept. 24 (Dephnews) — Third World countries will have to continue to pay closer attention to agricultural development if they are to attain higher economic growth rates.

"Few countries have achieved sustained economic growth without first, or simultaneously, developing their agriculture," says the World Bank in its recently released 1982 World Development Report. Continuing agricultural growth is vital to developing countries because the demand for food is expected to increase by a third over the next decade. Currently, only about 8 percent of the food eaten in developing countries and 9 percent of all agricultural products available there are imported.

Agricultural exports — from which money is earned to finance development — account for 30 percent of the developing countries' total earnings. Poor agricultural growth will, therefore, mean slow economic progress — as countries in Africa have shown in the last decade, says the World Bank.

The World Bank adds that agriculture still holds the key to solving the problems of poverty in the Third World. Current global estimates place the number of people living in poverty to close to one billion.

Over 90 percent of the world's poor are farmers or laborers whose work depend on agriculture. More than half are small farmers who own or lease their land while a

large number are landless. Agricultural production in the developing countries grew at historically high rates, averaging just under 3 percent a year during the 1960s and 1970s.

Unfortunately, however, it barely kept ahead of population growth. When population demand was accounted for, the output per capita during this period "screaked" through with only an increase of 0.4 percent in the 1970s.

Southeast Asia was a high spot, with agricultural output showing a 1.4 percent improvement after population growth was accounted for. In South Asia, the growth of agricultural output barely kept pace with population which is quite disappointing since it had been one of the major beneficiaries of the "Green Revolution."

Much of the agricultural growth since the 1960s has been due to the Green Revolution. But "for all its achievement, the Green Revolution has not yet occurred in many parts of the world," the World Bank says. Traditionally, farmers have been blamed for the slow agricultural growth in the Third World. They have been seen as nothing more than tradition-bound peasants.

However, studies have shown that the constraints on agricultural growth do not lie on the behavior of the farmers. Instead, it all depends on their access to land, incentives for production and investment, irrigation, marketing and the availability of technology.

U.S. panel okays \$8.5 billion cut in defense budget

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (R) — The Senate Appropriations Committee has approved cuts of about \$8.5 billion in President Ronald Reagan's 1983 military budget, including a reduction in the planned number of U.S. troops in Europe next year.

Ratifying a vote taken on Tuesday by the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, members agreed Thursday to hold the total of American servicemen in Europe to a 331,000 though the president had wanted to increase it by 19,000 next year.

Republican Senator Ted Stevens said the cut was needed to reduce costs, but other members added that it should also be taken abroad as a request for West European governments to spend more of their own money on defense.

The committee approved spending \$700 million on production of the Lockheed C-5 military transport jet and about \$200 million for research on an even more advanced transport plane, the C-17.

It approved continuation of the B-1 nuclear bomber program and nearly \$1 billion for the first five MX nuclear missiles. Despite the cuts, the military spending bill totaled nearly \$200 billion.

U.S. credit mart rally may fade

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (R) — The rally in the U.S. credit markets is likely to fade following poor results at Thursday's auction of 20-year bonds, money market analysts said.

Although the average yield of 11.68 percent was in line with expectations, the 11 basis point spread between the average and high yield showed there was a lack of consensus among the bidders.

Even before the results of this auction were known, analysts said the market was pressured by a lack of investor interest in the seven-year note sold Wednesday. The markets weakened in late trading in response to the results and further declines are expected, even if funds open around 10 to 10 1/4 percent as expected.

The Senate's passage of the bill increasing the temporary debt ceiling to \$1.29 trillion from the current \$1.1 trillion came too late to affect trading. Analysts said it was unlikely the news would have much impact on the market since passage of the bill was expected.

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Demands democratization

EEC rejects Turkish aid plea

BRUSSELS, Sept. 24 (AP) — The European Commission has rejected a Turkish Minister of Economy Sermet Pasin that European aid still depended on democratization in his country.

Pasin had pleaded Thursday with Commission Vice-Presidents Wilhelm Haferkamp and Etienne Davignon for unfreezing some of the common market aid projects that had been blocked after a military regime took over there. The Turkish minister specially mentioned energy projects. Pasin asked community to free around \$40 million in credits for energy projects.

He repeated that the democratization process had started, a referendum on a new constitution would take place Nov. 7 and parliament democracy would be restored early 1984. He added that Turkey would renew its bid for membership in the common market as soon as possible.

Soviets developing Afghan energy resources

NEW DELHI, Sept. 24 (R) — Despite fighting a war in Afghanistan, the Soviet Union appears to be looking to the Asian country for a rising volume of natural gas and it is helping to develop promising energy resources there.

The amount of energy, mainly gas, now supplied to the southern Soviet Union is modest but may be some help in offsetting the volume of Soviet-produced oil and gas which is exported to the West to earn hard currency for Moscow, according to Western oil industry sources in London.

Latest available official Afghan statistics say that in 1981 natural gas output amounted to 2.7 billion cubic meters (95 billion cubic feet a day), the highest in four years.

By comparison, the controversial new Soviet pipeline to Western Europe is intended to deliver about 35 billion cubic meters a year (\$1.200 billion cubic feet a day).

U.K. to auction oil hunt licenses

LONDON, Sept. 24 (R) — A revenue-hungry British government said it will auction licenses to explore for oil in the North Sea's most productive basin early next year.

Energy Minister Hamish Gray told a news conference that 15 license blocks put on offer Thursday in a new licensing round would go to the highest bidders, provided they had the necessary expertise and financial backing. This is only the second British license auction in 10 years.

Licensing to explore in up to 70 other blocks in the new round, in less attractive high-risk or gas-producing areas, would be awarded by the more usual process whereby companies pay a standard, modest application fee and the award is simply at government discretion.

The 15 auction blocks are in the mature oil-bearing zone of the central North Sea. "We think they are juicy," Gray said.

liament democracy would be restored early 1984. He added that Turkey would renew its bid for membership in the common market as soon as possible.

Haferkamp repeated the common market insistence on democratization and the re-establishment of human rights in Turkey.

The commission's vice-president said the fourth financial aid package to Turkey (600 million Ecu or \$558 million) would have to wait. As for other aid projects, they would depend on the democratization process. Pasin also discussed with Vice-President Etienne Davignon the possibility to relax protection measures against Turkish textile exports.

Davignon agreed to begin negotiations with Turkey in October on a global

of Soviet Siberian gas in the mid-1980s.

The Soviet Union bought 90 percent of the gas produced in Afghanistan in 1981 at prices which Western diplomats said were below those that Moscow quotes to the West for Soviet gas. They said the payments to Afghanistan are used to offset the country's debts to the Soviet Union.

The Western diplomats in New Delhi said Afghanistan plans to boost gas output by 125 percent under the current 1979-83 development plan which gives high priority to exploiting fuel and mineral resources. The sector accounts for nearly half planned spending.

Much of the Soviet project aid of about \$35 million a year is spent on sectors of benefit to the Soviet Union, such as coal and gas. Among an estimated 2,000 Soviet specialists working in Afghanistan are geologists who are prospecting on a large scale for petroleum.

The ruling People's Democratic Party (PDP) newspaper Haqiqat-i-Inqilab-I-Saur said recently several big deposits had been found and some were already being commercially exploited. Oil reserves are

LONDON, (AP) — The executive committee of the International Sugar Organization met and voted to increase its special stocks to 3,750,000 metric tons by end 1983. Special stocks are a reserve, held in producer countries but internationally controlled by the ISO. The funds to buy these stocks comes from obligatory contributions for every metric ton of sugar exported. The sugar is bought when prices fall and is resold when they have attained certain levels. The operation is designed to stabilize world sugar prices on the free market.

WASHINGTON, (AFP) — The American Agency for International Development, AID, plans financing a study on the feasibility of a first hydro-electric dam that Communist China proposes to build on the Pearl River, a tributary sources have said. An agreement

agreement on Turkish textiles.

Turkey is upset about restrictions on its sales of textiles to West European countries, which it says infringe its 18-year-old association agreement with the European Economic Community.

Several West European countries have imposed restrictions on imports of Turkish T-shirts and other goods and there has been speculation about possible retaliation.

Turkey recently agreed to limit its exports of cotton yarn to the community after complaints by West European firms that they were damaging to their sales. A global agreement would be likely to include cotton yarn and involve some form of limitation by Turkey, industry sources said.

estimated at 90 million barrels and those of gas at 140 billion cubic meters (4,900 billion cubic feet) — useful volumes although modest when compared with figures for the Soviet Union itself, the biggest oil producer and second gas producer in the world. British Petroleum (BP) estimates Soviet oil reserves at 63 billion barrels and gas reserves at 26,000 billion cubic meters (920,000 billion cubic feet).

Haqiqat said studies in northern Afghanistan, a region that the Soviet Union is helping to develop, showed huge reserves of oil and gas.

While the newspaper said that gas exports at present constitute the major source of revenue, amounting to about two-thirds of state earnings, Afghan oil needs are still met by the Soviet Union which will supply 336,500 tons (6,750 barrels daily) this year.

But there are plans are to build an oil refinery and the oil and gas department said it wanted to extend its search for oil, now limited to the north, to other areas.

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on this project has been concluded between Washington and Peking, earmarking \$400,000 for the study, the sources added. China, they said, plans buildings more than a dozen hydro-electric dams in the Pearl River over the next 20 years.

LUSAKA, (AFP) — Zambia Consolidated Copper Mines (ZCCM) made a loss before tax and equity levy of 26.8 million pounds sterling for the quarter ended June 30, 1982, it was announced here Thursday. The results for the corresponding quarter of 1981 showed a loss of 15.9 million pounds. Total revenue in the quarter was 131 million pounds compared with 124 million pounds in the same quarter of 1981.

TOKYO, (AP) — Daihatsu Motors, Japan's eighth largest automaker, announced Friday it had reached an agreement with Escort, a major Indian automaker, to produce two-ton diesel trucks in a joint venture, the Kyodo News Service said. Daihatsu to decide on production figures, plant location in India and starting date once official sanction has been received from the Indian government, Kyodo said.

LONDON, (R) — Iran has signed a \$46 million contract with Japan for the construction of power stations in the eastern province of Khorassan, the national news agency IRNA reported Friday. The agreement was reached between the Iranian energy ministry and a Japanese company which IRNA did not name. The agency said the 150-megawatt gas-operated turbines would be installed by Iranian experts.

Fiat records \$642 million gain in 1981

TURIN, Italy, Sept. 24 (AFP) — Fiat, Italy's largest privately-owned group, chalked up a 1981 net profit of 901 billion lira (\$642 million), the firm announced here as it presented its first ever consolidated accounts.

Fiat president Giovanni Agnelli said Thursday that the automobile sector accounted for no more than 41 percent of the group's turnover.

The total turnover of the group's 432 affiliates and 126 associated companies in 60 countries totaled 22,000 billion lira (about \$15.7 billion) — more than 90 percent of it for Fiat and its affiliates. The group's operating profits were 1,534,000 lira (nearly \$1.1 billion) — 7.6 percent of the consolidated turnover.

Particularly profitable were Fiat's medical engineering, telecommunications and rail activities, with car profits lagging behind and steel ending in the red.

Last year Fiat's investments totaled 818 billion lira (\$582 million), with 414 billion lira (\$295 million) on research and development.

Its total debts amounted to 7,000 billion lira (\$5 billion) — a figure considered by management to be "acceptable."

But the group's staff has suffered massive cuts from 342,000 at the end of 1980 to 310,000 in June 1981 and to 286,000 on June 30 this year. And it has slashed its activities in the South American countries of Colombia, Chile and Argentina.

But, as it presented the 1981 figures Thursday, Fiat management did not try to hide its concern at the collapse of the world market in several sectors important to the group.

Dollar rates soar as gold stays firm

LONDON, Sept. 24 (AP) — The U.S. dollar strengthened for a second consecutive day in foreign trading Friday. Gold prices were steady.

Dealers attributed the dollar's strength to a number of factors, including Thursday's strong performance in New York and higher overnight Eurodollar deposit rates.

The dollar began the day sharply higher in Tokyo, soaring to a five-year high of 265.70 Japanese yen, up from Wednesday's finish of 263.35 yen and 3.15 yen higher than last Friday's close of 262.55 yen. Tokyo markets were closed Thursday for a public holiday.

Later in London, the British pound edged down to \$1.7080 from \$1.7115 Thursday.

Other dollar rates compared with Thursday's late rate included: 2.5135 West German marks, up from 2.5080, 2.1563 Swiss francs, up from 2.1467, 7.1075 French francs, up from 7.0875, 2.7605 Dutch guilders, up from 2.7470, 1.416.50 Italian lira, up from 1.411.55, 1.2328 Canadian dollars, up from 1.2281.

Gold bullion prices, meanwhile, firmed marginally in quiet trading.

London's five major bullion houses set a mid-morning gold fixing price of \$438.50 a troy ounce, down slightly from the opening but \$2.50 higher than Thursday's close of \$436.

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On brink of bankruptcy

'The bite' cost Mexico dearly

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 24 (AP) — Rampant corruption institutionalized in a system known as "la mordida" — the bite — is the main factor in Mexico's economic crisis, which has pushed the nation to the brink of bankruptcy.

The government has enacted tough, unprecedented measures to solve the crisis. It has seized the nation's private banking system and called on Mexicans to bring their foreign investments home.

Now it also is proposing anti-corruption laws that would punish abuse of authority and bribery of government officials, as well as extortion and embezzlement.

"The Mexican crisis is not a financial crisis," said Pablo Emilio Madero of the Conservative National Action Party. He was an unsuccessful candidate in the July 4 presidential election.

"It's a crisis of confidence, of trust, of decency... corruption is a national disease. It has weakened the nation," he said in a recent newspaper interview.

From the cab driver on the street to the nation's biggest conglomerates, the bite — corruption, bribes and influence-peddling — has created a parallel economy mass proportions.

"It is absolutely impossible to do business here without the corruption factor," said the president of one Mexico City shipping firm. "Every two weeks, I have breakfast with a government official and actually have to pay him right across the table. It disgusts me, but it's a fact of life."

One businessman said his firm negotiated the sale of heavy-duty hoses to a federal

agency and was able through good bargaining to arrange a kickback of only 15 percent, which he considered a well-arranged deal. But the businessman said he later received an offer to increase the total value of the transaction, with the stipulation that his company could keep the hoses and give a portion of the profits to the head of the agency.

On the other end of the corruption scale, policemen, some of whom have to pay bribes to get their jobs, routinely shake down motorists for 50 pesos — about 75 U.S. cents — after stopping them for minor or imagined traffic offenses.

Japan adopts plan to slash spending

TOKYO, Sept. 24 (AFP) — The Japanese government Friday adopted an administrative reform program centering on the rehabilitation of the deficit-ridden Japanese National Railways (JNR).

On the basis of this policy, the Liberal Democratic government is to hammer out specific steps for drastic cuts in government spending, a shake-up of the central bureaucracy and a streamlining of three public corporations — JNR, the Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Public Corp. and the Japan Tobacco and Salt Public Corp.

Premier Zenko Suzuki has pledged to stake his political life on the administrative reform, and to put public finances back on a sound basis in fiscal 1984 without raising taxes.

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Authority	Description	Tender Number	Tender Price	Closing Date
Ministry of Agriculture and Water	Drilling water wells in several areas	1/14	200	Oct. 6
	Drilling two water wells in Hail region	1/15	500	Oct. 9
	Veterinary medicines	4/13	free	Oct. 4
Interior Ministry, Academy of Interior Security Forces	Building housing units for the cadets	—	5,000	Oct. 16
	Renovating and furnishing the hall of culture	—	1,000	Oct. 16

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1. SHIPS DISCHARGING:

Berth	Name of Vessel	Agent	Type of Cargo	Arrival
1A.	Jolly Turchese	Abdullah	Ro Ro Units	22.9.82
2.	Khalij Crystal	A.E.T.	Loading Milk	21.9.82
3.	Ocean Harvest	A.E.T.	Gen. Containers	17.9.82
4.	Maldiva Grace	O'Trade	Sorg/Rice/Timber	13.9.82
5.	Maldiva Neighbour	Algoasibi	General/Barley	19.9.82
6.	Kubbar	Alsadeh/General	18.9.8218.	
Odysseus/Rolaco	Bulk Cement	17.9.8219.		
Egda	Bulk Cement	17.9.8220.		
L. u n a r Venture	Aljazirah	Flour/Rice/Gen.	19.9.82	
21.	Shabaa	Alsabab	Bagged Barley	20.9.82
22.	Danah	Alireza	Food/Stl/Gen.	20.9.82
23.	Astir	A.A.	Bagged Barley	12.9.82
24.	Atalaya	Gulf	Gen./Food	21.9.82
25.	Hijaz	Kanoo	Contra/Gen.	21.9.82
26.	Belgian Reefer	O.C.E.	Reefer	13.9.82
27.	Norse Carrier	Alsaada	Bagged Rice	19.9.82
28.	Kelly Everett	O.C.E.	Bananas	14.9.82
29.	Tollis "H"	O.C.E.	Froz. ch/Duck	20.9.82
29.	Guiaid	Star	Reefer	21.9.82
30.	Subicevac	Star	Tiles/Timber	15.9.82
31.	Charisman	Abdallah	Steel/Timber	21.9.82
BRXO	Arab Mazin	S.C.S.A.	Milk Powder	14.9.82
RoRo	Luis Calve	O.C.E.	Apples	18.9.82

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1. VESSELS DISCHARGING:

2.	Sea King	UEP	Bagged Barley	16.9.82
3.	Christiantema	OCE	Fertilizer	18.9.82
5.	Daisy	Gulf	General	14.9.82
7.	Gladious	SEA	General	16.9.82
8.	Ocean Ranger	Alsaada	General	19.9.82
9.	Hellera	OCE	Loading Urea	8.9.82
10.	Yannis — C	UEP	Steel Products	8.9.82
12.	Honey River	UEP	Steel Prod.	12.9.82
12.	Sharp Island	UEP	Maize/Gen.	11.9.82
13.	Han Song	OCE	General	10.9.82
14.	Patricia L.	Saite	General	3.9.82
16.	Saudi Indepen.	Orri	General	10.9.82
19.	Pacific Exporter	UEP	Steel/Gen.	7.9.82
21.	Fort Calgary	UEP	Steel Prods	8.9.82
22.	Anangel Luck	Gosaibi	General	10.9.82
25.	Axel Mearsk	Kanoo	Containers	12.9.82
28.	Hellenic Star	Gulf	Gen./Rice	8.9.82
29.	Tom America	Alsaada	General	7.9.82
31.	Konkar Thetis	Alireza	General	20.9.82
35.	Yuchauin	Orri	General	18.9.82
36.	Altair (DB)	Alsaabah	Bulk Cement	20.9.82
37.	Sunny Island (DB)	AET	Bulk Cement	9.9.82
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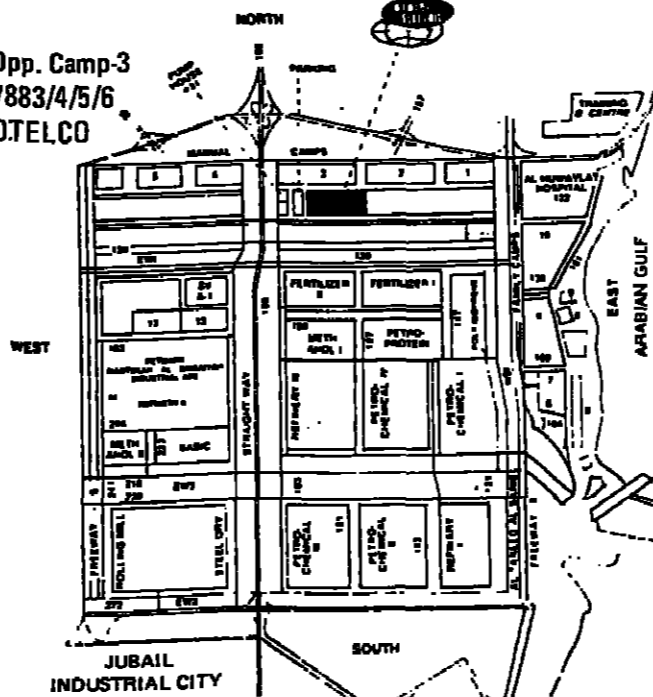
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Pirates put brakes on Cardinals' triumphant march

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (AP) — Mike Easler sneaked home Rafael Belliard with one out in the 11th inning and Willie Stargell followed with a bases-loaded sacrifice fly to give the Pittsburgh Pirates a 5-3 victory Thursday night over the St. Louis Cardinals.

The defeat, the Cardinals' second in 11



Stargell... in striking form

games, reduced St. Louis' lead in the National League East over second-placed Philadelphia to 4½ games.

Garry Matthews drilled a run-scoring double that snapped the scoreless tie and Bo Diaz added a sacrifice fly as the Phillies posted a 2-0 11th-inning victory over the Montreal Expos.

Bill Laskey, Reggie Smith, and Bob Brenly drove in two runs apiece as San Francisco pounded the Cincinnati Reds 11-7 to move to within four games of first-placed Los Angeles in the National League West.

The Giants gained half a game on the idle Dodgers, and trail second-placed Atlanta by one game. The Giants open a three-game series in Los Angeles Friday night. Rookie Wilson doubled, tripled and scored twice to lead the New York Mets to a 5-4 victory over the Chicago Cubs.

In the American League, catcher Bob Boone's throwing error in the ninth inning allowed pinch-runner Nick Capra to score the winning run from third base and the Texas Rangers snapped California's winning streak with a 5-4 victory over the Angels.

Larry Herndon drove in four runs with two homers to lead the Detroit Tigers to a 10-5 victory over the Baltimore Orioles. The loss was only the seventh in 34 games for the Orioles.

Major League standings

American League Eastern Division					Minnesota				
	W	L	Pct.	GB					
Milwaukee	91	61	.599	—		57	95	.375	29½
Baltimore	88	64	.579	3					
Boston	83	69	.546	8					
Detroit	76	74	.507	14					
Cleveland	74	76	.493	16					
New York	71	78	.487	17					
Toronto	71	81	.467	20					
Western Division					National League Eastern Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB					
California	87	66	.569	—		88	65	.575	—
Kansas City	84	68	.553	2½					
Chicago	80	72	.526	6½					
Seattle	73	79	.480	13½					
Oakland	64	88	.421	22½					
Texas	61	92	.399	26					
Western Division					National League Western Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB					
Los Angeles	85	67	.559	—		88	65	.575	—
Atlanta	82	70	.539	3					
San Francisco	81	71	.533	4					
San Diego	77	75	.507	8					
Houston	72	80	.474	13					
Cincinnati	56	96	.368	29					

For a crack at Gomez's title

Pintor outpoints Lujan

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 24 (AP) — Lupe Pintor, the World Boxing Council's reigning bantamweight champion, earned a shot at the super bantamweight crown when he hammered out a unanimous 10-round decision over Jorge Lujan Thursday night.

The WBC had said the winner of the bout would fight champion Wilfredo Gomez for the 122-pound (55-kilo) title in early December. Pintor, from Mexico, knocked the former World Boxing Association bantamweight champ from Panama down late in the sixth round, but Lujan recovered by the eighth count.

Lujan came back strong in the seventh round, backing Pintor into the ropes, and seemed to take command for that stanza and the next. Pintor, however, dominated the ninth round then had a slight edge in the 10th. Pintor, who weighed 123½ pounds (56 kilos), is now a 50-4-1. Lujan, 124 pounds (56.2 kilos), is 25-6.

Cooney determined to return

Meanwhile, Gerry Cooney, admittedly hurt mentally by his loss to Larry Holmes, said in New York that he will fight again — but in his own good time.

"A couple of fights were talked about, but I didn't think that I was right (ready) to take them," said Cooney, who was stopped in the 13th round by Holmes in a bid for the World Boxing Council heavyweight championship last June 11 and has been pretty much out of the public eye since. "I'm going back (to fighting) when I'm ready to go back. When

it's right for me, not because people are pushing me to go back."

Cooney said that he began getting interested in fighting again a couple of weeks ago and that "Right now I'm doing conditioning" in a gym in his hometown of Huntington on Long Island.

Cooney said he did not have a target date for the resumption of serious training, and his co-managers, Mike Jones and Dennis Rappaport, said no date or opponent have been set for Cooney's return to the ring.

The loss to Holmes, Cooney's first after 25 victories, was worth several million dollars to the 26-year-old fighter, and there have been rumors that he might not fight again, that he had built \$1.5 million home and bought a yacht.

After mentioning the rumors, Cooney raised his eyebrows, shook his head and laughed. "I'm kind of hurt by what a lot of people wrote and said," Cooney said. "People just don't understand I went through a lot of things."

In Washington, it was announced that World Boxing Association (WBA) lightweight champion Ray Mancini is to defend his title for the second time against South Korean Duk Koo Kim at Las Vegas on Nov. 13.

The hard-hitting American won the crown with a first round knockout over compatriot Art Frias and has since defended against Ernesto Espana, knocking out the Venezuelan in six rounds.

Maree spearheads star-studded field in Oregon Mile

EUGENE, Oregon, Sept. 24 (AP) — The men's mile will feature some of the top distance runners in the world and a standout field is entered in 11 other events Saturday at the Oregon International Track and Field Meet.

The showcase of the meet was to be a mile run featuring British world-record holders Sebastian Coe and Steve Ovett. But Coe and Ovett dropped out of the race.

Meet director Gary Triguero said it was unfortunate. So much attention was focused on Coe and Ovett. "As far as the other events go the field is equally good," he said. "In four or five events, we could get the best performances in the United States this season."

Sidney Maree, ranked second in the world in the mile this year with a best of 3 minutes, 48.85 seconds, leads the field. Also entered is

Tom Byers, winner of the Fifth Avenue Mile in New York City with a best of 3:50.84. Mike Bolt of Kenya and Thomas Wessinghage of West Germany.

The 5,000-meter race should get the crowd roaring at Hayward field with hometown hero Bill McChesney chasing the American record of 13:11.93. Peter Koeh of Kenya, Julian Goater of Britain are also in the field.

Olympic gold medalists Hasley Crawford of Trinidad and Allan Wells of Great Britain are entered in the 100-meter run. Jeff Phillips of Athletics West and Clancy Edwards of the Southern California Striders also are in the event.

The field events could be the best bet for a world mark. Bob Roggy, who has flirted with the world record this summer takes a best of

Lincoln joins White at the top

KENT, Washington, Sept. 24 (AP) — Rookie Cindy Lincoln and Donna White fired five-under-par 67s to share the first-round lead Thursday in the \$175,000 LPGA Safeco Classic.

White let the lead slip away when she missed a short par putt on the 15th hole. She swept through the front side of Medidian Valley Country Club's 6,084-yard course with a five-under-par 31, posting an eagle on the par-5 ninth hole.

Lincoln started strong with birdies on three of the first five holes. She turned in three-under-par 33 and birdied holes 10 and 11 to go five under. First prize in the 72-hole tournament is \$26,250.

Seven players were tied at four-under-par, including several of the favored players. Shooting 68s were Joanne Carner, Nancy Lopez, Patty Sheehan, Sally Little, Hollis Stacy, Sandra Spuzich and Barbara Barrow.

Little, playing late in the day, birdied five of the last six holes to get into contention. Stacy birdied the last two holes. Carner got off to a poor start by making one-putt bogie at No. 1 hole but came back with six birdies.

Lopez showed signs of regaining the form that helped her dominate the LPGA tour in 1978 and 1979. She turned in a 32 on the front nine, birdied the par-5 13th hole, but gave it back on No. 16.

Ben Plucknett heads the discus field, which also includes Mac Wilkins, John Powell and Art Burns. All four have eclipsed 222-feet (69.7 meters) this year.

The top women's race should be the 800 meters, with Romanian Marcia Puica the top entrant. She is the world record holder in the mile and has a best of 1:57.8 in the 800. Chris Mullen and Sue Addison are her chief competitors.

The only other women's event will be the javelin, where Karen Smith is the favorite, with Oregon's Lynda Hughes and Sally Harmon also among the entries.

Clampett, Broeck share lead in Southern Open

COLUMBUS, Georgia, Sept. 24 (AP) — Young Bobby Clampett, who has come close on half a dozen occasions but has yet to win, fired a five-under-par 65 Thursday to share the lead with unknown Lance Ten Broeck after the first round of the \$250,000 Southern Open Golf Tournament.

Clampett, only 22 and in his second year on the pro tour, finished third this year in the U.S. Open and led the British Open for two rounds before faltering.

He dropped in a six-foot (1.9 m) birdie putt on the 18th hole to gain the tie with Ten Broeck over the hilly, par 70, 6,791-yard Green Island Country Club Course. One shot off the pace at 66 were Wally Armstrong, Tim Simpson, Woody Blackburn and John Cook.

Veterans George Burns and Hale Irwin topped a group at 67, others at that figure were Rod Curl, Mike McCullough, Larry Rinker, John Fought and Tom Jenkins.

At 68 were Joe Inman, Michael Brannan, Rod Nuckolls, Lindy Miller and former winners here Forrest Fezler and Hubert Green. Fezler won in 1974 and Green in 1975. Defending champion J.C. Snead had a 71, while Andy Bean, the 13th leading money winner on the tour, had a 69.

Clampett, who had a five-shot lead at the midway point in the British Open before faltering and ending in a tie for tenth, admitted the experience shook his confidence for a while. "My confidence was hurt a lot," he said. But when asked if he was ready to win here, Clampett answered, "absolutely."

"I was thinking before the week started that Johnny Miller, a good friend, won his first tournament here and it would be nice to get mine here, too," Clampett said.

Clampett finished second at the Greater Greensboro Open earlier this year, and has won almost \$140,000 in 1982. As a rookie a year ago, Clampett had eight top ten finishes, which would qualify him for next year's tour. Currently, Ten Broeck is 133rd on the list.

Ten Broeck, 26 and in his third year on the tour, has earned \$36,000 in that time but has played well lately. He finished 12th last week at the Hall of Fame Classic in Pinehurst, N.C., and has won nearly \$22,000 of late.

Ten Broeck said his goal this year is to finish among the top 125 money winners, which would qualify him for next year's tour. Currently, Ten Broeck is 133rd on the list.

NFL players, owners set to break deadlock

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (AP) — The chief negotiators for the striking National Football League players and the club owners took the first steps to get back to the bargaining table Thursday after the league officially called off the 12 games scheduled for Sunday.

Ed Garvey, executive director of the NFL Players' Association, sent a message to Jack Donlan, head of the NFL Management Council — the league's bargaining arm — stating that the union is prepared to enter round-the-clock negotiations. Donlan's reply said, "We are and have been ready to bargain for months. We are prepared to meet with you at a mutually agreeable location. I will call you Friday morning about establishing a site."

The union has acknowledged receipt of the message from Donlan but has not yet answered it. No negotiations have been held since last Friday when the union amended its controversial wage scale demand, asking that 50 percent of the League's \$2.1 billion television package be allocated to the wage and benefit fund. Previously, the Union had asked that 55 percent of the owners' gross receipts go to that fund. Management negotiators rejected the altered demand.

The union also took action in court, filing suit in federal court in Washington against the NFL, the Management Council and the 28 teams in an effort to allow players to participate in a series of All-Star games arranged

by the union. The union contended that provisions against such games in individual player contracts are no longer valid because the old collective bargaining agreement expired last July 15.

The players, in the meanwhile, continued to work out individually and in team practices and professed solidarity in their determination to stay out despite the disclosure Wednesday that the league would receive between \$32 million and \$35 million from the three television networks during the first two weeks of the strike. The league was unable to get strike insurance. But the television money, along with a \$151 million loan of credit with a consortium of banks, would appear to allow the owners to remain solid in the wake of the union demand for half the league's television revenue, expected to be \$2.1 billion in the next five years. Only about two dozen of the league's 1,500 players have publicly expressed reservations about the strike.

Meanwhile, the expected announcement from the league office came at mid-afternoon in a two-sentence statement issued by league spokesman Jim Heffernan. Monday night's Cleveland-Cincinnati game was still on, but scratching it appeared a formality.

However, Heffernan declined to apply the word "cancel" to the league's action, raising speculation that games missed by a strike might be made up after the walkout-ended.

Panthers slide to 3rd spot in AP poll

By Susan Saporito
Houston Bureau

HOUSTON, Sept. 24 — Pittsburgh retained the No. 1 ranking on the ballots of the United Press International (UPI) board of coaches, but dropped to third in this week's Associated Press (AP) major-college football poll.

Florida State Coach Bobby Bowden commented that Pittsburgh should be No. 1 in both polls after "beating us like that." The Pitt Panthers won 37-17 last week at Tallahassee and outscored second-place Nebraska by two points in the UPI ratings. Nebraska's 68-0 victory over lightweight New Mexico State gave the Cornhuskers 565 points to Pitt's 567.

Washington fell from second to third on the UPI roster despite a 23-13 win at Arizona that won the Huskies 13 first place votes to Nebraska's eight. But the Pacific 10 school came out on top in AP balloting for the second straight week.

The Huskies attracted 34 points more than Nebraska from the AP panel of writers and broadcasters. Alabama placed fourth in both rankings followed by AP Florida, Southern Methodist, Georgia, Penn State, Arkansas and Notre Dame in the AP's Top 10. The

Irish moved from No. 20 on the basis of their 23-17 win over Michigan. Texas was voted No. 17 by AP and No. 15 by UPI.

Illinois, Pitt's opponent this week, surfaced in the AP poll for the first time since the second week of the 1976 season. They are ranked No. 18 in the UPI poll and No. 19 in the AP rankings.

Clemson, the defending national champion, dropped out of both polls following its 17-17 tie with Boston College. No. 19 in UPI Michigan suffered the biggest drop after its loss to Notre Dame. The Wolverines fell from 10th to 20th in AP and from ninth out of the UPI rankings.

With the pro-football strike on the attention is turning toward college gridiron. The University of Houston is going to make a proposal to the Houston Sports Association to attract pro-football patrons to their Saturday clash with Lamar University.

Under the proposal, The University of Houston would offer a half-price ticket to the UH-Lamar game to fans holding tickets to any professional football game that was scheduled for Sunday. Should the proposal be accepted, Houston Offer tickets will be good for half off of a ticket to see the Cougar-Cardinal match-up on Saturday.



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As Pakistan plods to 330 for 6

Unruly fans disrupt play in Test

KARACHI, Sept. 24 (AFP) — A stylish of knock of 91 by Zaheer Abbas was the lone redeeming feature on an incident-packed day, filled with crowd trouble, two walkouts by the Australian team, and an agonizing overrate on a hot and humid third day of the first cricket Test between Pakistan and Australia at the National Stadium here Friday.

Though Zaheer Abbas lived a charmed life, dropped on four occasions en route to his 91, his duration at the crease was filled with authority and aggression. He cut and drove in his inimitable style as Pakistan progressed to 330 for six at the close.

Only 275 minutes' play was possible and Pakistan could add only 162 runs more to their overnight tally of 168 for two, losing four more wickets. Apart from the plodding of the batsmen, the Australian bowlers frustrated Pakistan's hopes of enhancing their lead with a slow overrate.

The first halt to the day's proceedings was in the morning session, when Kim Hughes led his men off the field in protest against the crowd behavior. The large holiday crowd, irked by the mode of Mohsin Khan's dismissal, gave vent to their anger by pelting stones at the Australian fielders. The Pakistan batsmen, Javed Miandad and Zaheer Abbas, and the two umpires also joined the protest by returning to the pavilion soon after the Australian team were led off.

Play was halted 25 minutes before the

lunch interval and the Australian team came back only after the organizers had appealed to the vociferous crowd to stay calm. Armed police at the stadium, were not asked to intervene. But by the time the organizers had brought about a semblance of calm, 15 minutes play was lost.

There was a second suspension of play soon after the lunch break, when the crowd continued to give vent to their feelings. Hughes led his men off the field once again and this was the sign for the frate crowd to invade the pitch. The armed police immediately swung into action and cleared the pitch of the invaders. Also the students' enclosure was cleared. Peace was finally restored after 20 minutes and the players once again resumed their battle in the middle.

The Pakistan batsmen continued to dominate the bowling during the morning's play. Haroon Rashid, who was going great guns Thursday, seemed to carry on from where he had left off. He thrilled the crowd with some attractive strokes against the pace-spin attack of Geoff Lawson and Ray Bright.

Javed Miandad, the new batsman, on the other hand was content to play second fiddle to Rashid while trying to dig himself in. Rashid's adventurous mood ultimately led to his down fall. Hughes, after persisting with Lawson for the first 50 minutes, switched to a double-spin attack and this paid rich dividends. Off-spinner Bruce Yardley struck

with his second ball of the day when Rashid proffered a sharp chance to forward-short leg and Bruce Laird accepted it gratefully. Rashid's 82 included 15 boundaries.

The free-flowing strokes were checked briefly as Miandad and new batsman Zaheer Abbas tried to get their rhythm. Bruce Yardley could have made another dent in the Pakistan's innings if Allan Border had accepted a simple chance at the slips. The batsman to escape was Zaheer Abbas, whose score at that time was nine.

The batsmen then got into top gear as Miandad lustily hit Yardley for ten runs in an over — a six and a four. Zaheer also got into his strides and the Pakistan total progressed in fits and start till lunch.

Hughes took the new ball after the lunch interval, but Jeff Thomson and Lawson failed to make an impression on both Miandad and Zaheer. The latter especially was severe on Lawson. But Lawson had his revenge when he disturbed the bails of Miandad's stump with the batsman's contribution being 32. Mudassar Nazar joined Zaheer and the two took their team past the Australian total. Ultimately Zaheer lost his wicket, caught behind by Marsh off Lawson for 91. Pakistan's fifth wicket went down with the score on 328 runs.

Next batsman in was Pakistan skipper Imran Khan. He opened his account with a single to square-leg off Lawson, but he was caught by Yardley off Bright without adding to his score.



Abbas... stylish 91

Score-board	
Australia (1st innings)	284
Pakistan (1st innings)	58
Mohsin Khan adjudged out	
M. Akhtar c Bright	32
H. Rashid c Laird	82
J. Miandad b Lawson	32
Z. Abbas c Marsh b Bright	91
M. Nazar batting	12
Imran Khan c	
Yardley b Bright	1
T. Naqash batting	0
Extras:	22
Total: (for 6 wks.)	330
Fall of wickets: 1-43, 2-168, 3-188, 4-277, 5-328, 6-329.	
Bowling: Thomson 24-2-61-1; Lawson 31-8-66-2; Bright 33-7-61-1; Yardley 23-2-88-1; Border 1-0-0-0.	

While Kriek has it rough

Connors, McEnroe advance comfortably

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 24 (Agencies) — Jimmy Connors and John McEnroe, the top two seeds, stayed on course for a final showdown in the \$250,000 Transamerica Tennis Championship by coasting to the quarterfinals Thursday.

Connors beat fellow-American Vince Van Patten 6-2, 6-1 and McEnroe defeated Britain's Richard Lewis 6-1, 6-1. But for fifth-seeded Johan Kriek of South Africa it was hard going. He needed two hours 13 minutes to beat Fritz Buehning of the United States 5-7, 7-6, 6-1.

Kriek complained about poor lighting. "A lot of players have told me about the lights here and it's true," he said. "These conditions are insane with a guy like Fritz, who serves hard."

Kriek, who faces McEnroe in the quarterfinals, survived a match point in the 10th game of the second set and won the tiebreaker 7-5 before taking control of the match in the deciding set. Connors will meet unseeded Jimmy Arias in the quarterfinals.

After losing the 10th game of the second set game by a disputed line call, Buehning sat down beside umpire Frank Hammond's chair and stared at him. "Well, are you going to get me cross," Buehning asked him. "I want you back on that court and ready to play," Hammond reported.

But Buehning wandered, muttering, around the court past his 90-second allotted time and Hammond called a point penalty on him. Buehning settled down and the match went on. But he lost the set and then fell apart in the deciding.

In other quarterfinal matches Friday, No. 4 seed Sandy Mayer will meet sixth seed Brian Teacher, while unseeded Tim Mayotte takes on Elliot Teltscher, the third seed.

Meanwhile, Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia beat a determined Francisco Gonzalez of Puerto Rico 7-5, 6-3 and advanced to the quarterfinals of the \$300,000 World Championship Tennis Forum Classic, at Los Angeles.

Lendl and Gonzalez were knotted at 5-5 in the first set with one service break each when Lendl broke Gonzalez in the 11th game with a forehand volley down the line. He then served out to capture the set.

In the second set, both held serve until the seventh game when Lendl took charge in the match following an unforced error by Gonzalez. Lendl broke Gonzalez again in the final game to wrap up the match.

Rene Arnoux impresses in Las Vegas trials

LAS VEGAS, Sept. 24 (AFP) — The expensive turbo-engine cars seem likely to do well in Saturday's Las Vegas Grand Prix, even though the Renault turbo of Frenchman Rene Arnoux registered the fastest lap time of 1:17.868 in first official trials Thursday.

Arnoux himself admitted: "The trials are easy compared with what we are expecting in the race itself." As well as exhausting the drivers, the desert heat would affect the delicate turbo supercharged equipment.

"During practice, pit stops give a chance to recover," he said. "But on Saturday we will have to keep going for an hour and a half." The Renaults, in fact, were the only turbo powered cars to achieve reasonable times on the twisting Caesar's Palace circuit, which suits the slower cars with atmospheric engines.

The normally reliable Ferraris had difficulties, and even former world champion Mario Andretti, who rearranged his work schedule

to compete here, could manage no better than ninth best time.

The other Ferrari man, Patrick Tambay of France, found that the conditions aggravated his persistent back injury. His time of 1:21.067 was the 24th best, which would only justify him for the starting grid, since only 24 cars will contest the race.

Tambay said: "My right arm was hurting so much that I was practically driving with one hand. What is more, I had several mechanical problems which stopped me from taking a full part in the practice."

Good times by the non-turbos of Keke Rosberg, John Watson and Niki Lauda offer the prospect of an exciting battle to decide the world championship.

The Finnish Sudaia-Williams driver, who needs only one point to make certain of the crown, registered marginally the best time, but the two McLaren team-mates were only a

East German athletes strike it rich in Tokyo

TOKYO, Sept. 24 (AP) — Led by world record holders Marlies Gohr and Marita Koch, East Germany dominated the third eight-nation Track and Field Meet Friday, grabbing 14 of the 30 gold medals at stake.

The Soviet Union, led by world hammer throw record holder and Olympic champion Yuri Sedykh grabbed eight gold medals. Canada and West Germany captured three gold each while the United States and Japan had one gold each in the 30-event meet on the rain-wet track of the 70,000-seat National Stadium.

Carl Lewis, the world's top ranked sprinter and long jumper, won the only gold medal for the United States and Tomomi Takahashi was the only first placer for Japan.

Lewis won the 100-meter dash in 10.32 seconds, beating Italy's Pier Francesco Pavoni, who finished second in 10.36. Pavoni placed second to newly crowned champion Frank Emmelmann of East Germany in the 100 meters in the recent European championship. Takahashi won the pole vault with a 5.45 meter (17.98 feet) leap.

Antie Kempe of East Germany was the first gold medal winner of the meet, winning the women's javelin throw with a third attempt throw of 64.56 meters (213.05 feet). Koch, owner of the 400-meter world record, won the event in 49.58 seconds, edging Gaby Bussmann of East Germany by more than two seconds. Bussmann's time was 51.95 seconds.

Gohr, the 100-meter world record holder, stopped Canada's Angella Taylor from winning her second gold medal by capturing the women's 100-meter dash in 10.97. Taylor was second in 11.08. The Canadian won the women's 200-meter event in 22.73 seconds earlier in the day.

Other Canadian gold medal winners were Milt Ottey, who took the men's high jump with a 2.24-meter (7.4 feet) flight and Desai Williams, who took the 200-meter event with a 20.59 clocking.

World record holder Gerd Wessig of East Germany placed third in the high jump after Uladimir Grankov of the Soviet Union at 2.21 meters. Grankov's second place leap was also 2.21 meters (7.3 feet), but the Russian won the second spot by clearing the bar in his first attempt while the East German made it in his second try.

Yanis Boyars of the Soviet Union won the shot put gold over world record holder Udo Beyer of East Germany with a heave of 20.68 meters (68.24 feet). Beyer's second place throw was 20.35 meters (67.12 feet).

With European champion Alberto Cova of Italy not running the 10,000 meter race, East Germany's Werner Schildnauer won the event in 28 minutes, 22.36 seconds. Schildnauer finished second to Cova in the recent European championship.

The Italian was originally entered in the 10,000 meters but switched to the 5,000-meter race.

Simonsen likely to join Charlton

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Agencies) — Allan Simonsen, Denmark's former European footballer of the year, has agreed to join struggling English Second Division Charlton provided terms can be agreed with Barcelona of Spain, the Charlton manager said Friday.

"Barcelona are holding out for a high fee and we will be having a board meeting next week to discuss whether we can take our approach further. But we have spoken to Simonsen and agreed personal terms," Charlton team chief Ken Craggs said.

The diminutive Dane, European footballer of the year in 1977, won a UEFA Cup winners medal with West Germany's Borussia Moenchengladbach in 1979 and a European Cup Winners Cup medal with Barcelona last season. But the arrival of Argentine World Cup star Diego Maradona has plunged Barcelona deep into debt and made Simonsen superfluous.

Barcelona are said to be asking 300,000 sterling (\$520,000) for the 29-year-old forward. Charlton also tried to sign Kevin Keegan, Simonsen's successor as European Footballer of the year, and the Dane would command the sort of huge salary — a reported 3,000 sterling (\$5,200) a week — which enabled Second Division Newcastle to sign Keegan. Simonsen missed Denmark's 2-2 draw with England in Copenhagen two days ago because of injury.

Meanwhile, Neil MacFarlane, the British sports minister, on Thursday officially apologised to Denmark for the behavior of British soccer fans in Copenhagen.

He branded the supporters, who rampaged through the Danish capital Wednesday, as "a menace and a nuisance" to the game and said that tough new measures to stamp out hooliganism would have to be considered. England fans were involved in trouble both before and after the European championship match, which ended as a 2-2 draw. "I have no hesitation in saying that these scenes are totally disastrous for Great Britain and deeply disturbing for the future of English football," MacFarlane said.

"On behalf of the government, I say to the people of Copenhagen: 'Our sincere apologies for what a minority of our fans did yesterday evening.'"

MacFarlane said he was awaiting further details of the incidents, which resulted in more than 70 fans being arrested. He said it was important to discover how people got tickets, why the rival fans were not segregated, and what the police presence was.

In Turin it was reported that Juventus' new Polish striker Zbigniew Boniek, pulled a muscle during training and will be out of the team for two weeks. Two other World Cup stars with the Turin club, the Italian Paolo Rossi and French team captain Michel Platini, had critical words for each other.

Platini said: "The important thing is that the team scores goals, even if Rossi is not the scorer," implying that the Italian marksman was trying to keep all goal scoring chances for himself. Rossi's reply was "I have heard enough stupid things said about me. Now I have got to listen to some of Platini."

In Calama, Chile, Cobreloa, runners-up in the Chilean Football League last season, beat national champions Calama 2-0 to qualify for the semifinal group of the Libertadores South American International Trophy.

Other semifinal qualifiers are River Plate (Argentina), Penarol (Uruguay), Olimpia (Paraguay), Flamengo (Brazil) and Tolima (Colombia).

Borg going all out to regain lost ground

MONTREAL, Canada, Sept. 24 (AP) — Five-time Wimbledon champion Bjorn Borg says he plans to begin his renaissance as the world's top-ranked tennis player at an exhibition tournament here next week.

Borg has been out of tournament tennis since last April because of a dispute with the Men's International Professional Tennis Council (MIPTC) over the number of tournaments a year he could enter without having to qualify.

In a telephone interview Wednesday from Stockholm, Borg said he's ready to reclaim the throne of men's tennis. And he hopes to begin the climb at the \$250,000 Molson Light Challenge from Sept. 30 to Oct. 3 at the Forum.

"I missed it a lot," said Borg, who was told he had to qualify for every event because he chose not to play in the minimum ten tournaments a year. "Everybody knows the problems I had about qualifying, but I wanted to play very badly."

"I don't regret anything I did, but I missed tennis a lot, especially watching the big finals of the big tournaments."

Borg has been training five hours a day with a group of Swedish junior players for the last month. He plans to prepare for his return to tournament play by entering a series of exhibitions, including the Montreal event.

"I'm moving well and hitting the ball well. I just have to improve my conditioning," he said. "There's nothing wrong with my game."



Bjorn Borg...set for the climb

"I'm surprised how well I've been playing," Vitas Gerulaitis, his long-time practice partner, played with Borg before this month's U.S. Open and said he'd never seen the Swede play better, an assessment Borg's coach, Lennart Bergelin agreed with.

"He is just as good as earlier," Bergelin said. "Bjorn has enormous self-confidence and has improved his serve." He is, plain and simple, the old Bjorn Borg."

Among the 12 players Borg will face in the Montreal exhibition tournament is 1982 Wimbledon and U.S. Open champion Jimmy Connors, who has also regained vintage form.

"Connors is No. 1 right now," said Borg, who plays the American in a best three-of-five set match in Ottawa before coming to Montreal. "He's (Connors) playing unbelievably well this year and he's playing with a lot of confidence."

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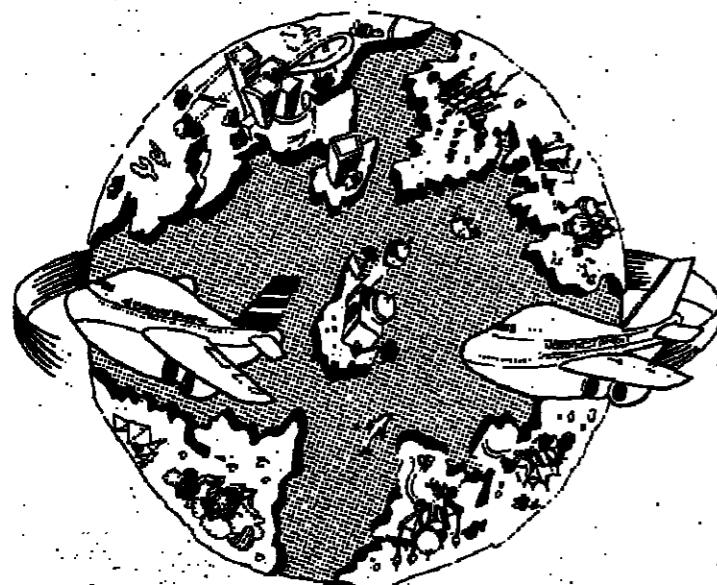
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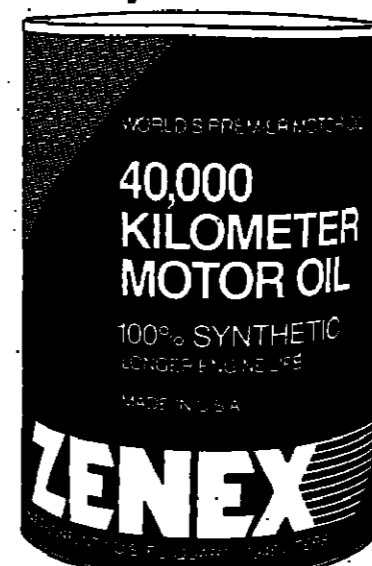
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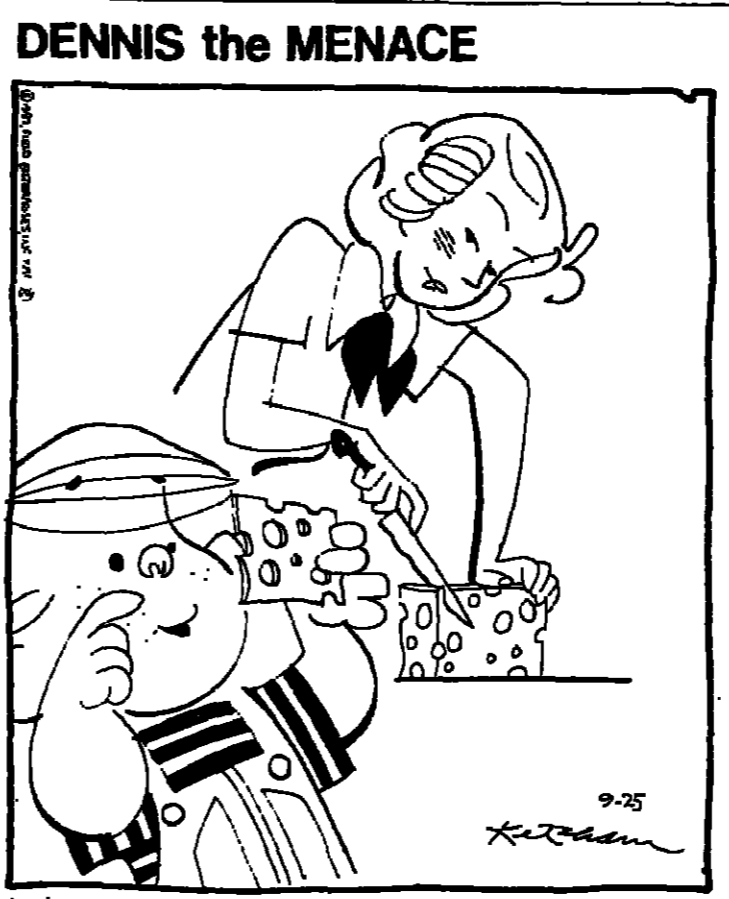
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Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS	DOWN
1 Pulpit	1 Redolence
2 sign - off	2 One kind of house
3 Arrest	3 Happening
4 Rant	4 Stack role
5 Bird sound	5 Contrivance
6 Dollar bills	6 Not here
7 At this time	7 "... the ramparts"
8 Karloff role	8 Like Tom
9 Priority's prefix	9 Argentine city
10 Cunning	10 Choir member
11 Bardot's soul	11 Elephant's ear
12 Form of John	12 Function
13 English river	13 Swiss river
14 - Domini	14 - heart
15 Borgnine film role	15 "ne'er won..."
16 - the	16 Horrible
17 Yearn	17 Capek play
18 Ending for favor	18 - brio
19 Soft food	19 Rhapsodize
20 Pen point	20 "Tis a pity"
21 Rhapsodize	21 Greek river
22 "Tis a pity"	22 Jack Ketch's weapon
23 Greek river	23 Omniscent one
24 Jack Ketch's weapon	24 Film critic
25 Omniscent one	25 War, to Sherman

Yesterday's answers:

24 Director's call	31 Canned tomato product
25 By (according to rule)	32 Mine roof
26 Actress Martita	33 Harbor to remember
27 Short poem	34 Feather scarf
28 Desist	

Contract Bridge

B. Jay and Steve Becker

The End Justifies the Means

East dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

WEST

EAST

SOUTH

There is a similarity between the bridge played in a national championship and the bridge played in the average home game. The number of cards and shape of the table are the same, but that may be as far as the resemblance goes.

For example, take this deal where a wily declarer "stole" three notrump. He won the club lead in dummy with the king and played his queen on it! Next came the jack of diamonds from dummy, the finesse losing to West's king. It's hard to blame West for continuing with another club - he naturally thought declarer had started with the doubleton A-Q. The club continuation did not turn out well when South ran nine tricks consisting of three hearts, four diamonds and two clubs, and thus made three notrump.

Now let's suppose South had made the more usual play of the deuce of clubs on the king at trick one. In that case, after West took his king of diamonds at trick two, he might have appreciated the futility of returning a club at trick three. He would probably have shifted to a low spade instead.

This play would have laid declarer low. East would win with the king, return the nine of spades, and the contract would go down the drain.

Of course, the smokescreen set up by South's play of the club queen at trick one made it almost automatic for West to return a club at trick three.

The fact is that bridge is in many ways a psychological game, and laying a trap for a defender to fall into is a legitimate part of the game. Inducing a declarer can do to induce an error by the defense may prove just as effective as making a contract solely on its merits.

Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1982

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)

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Pisces (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

with a do-it-yourself project at home. Relatives have good news.

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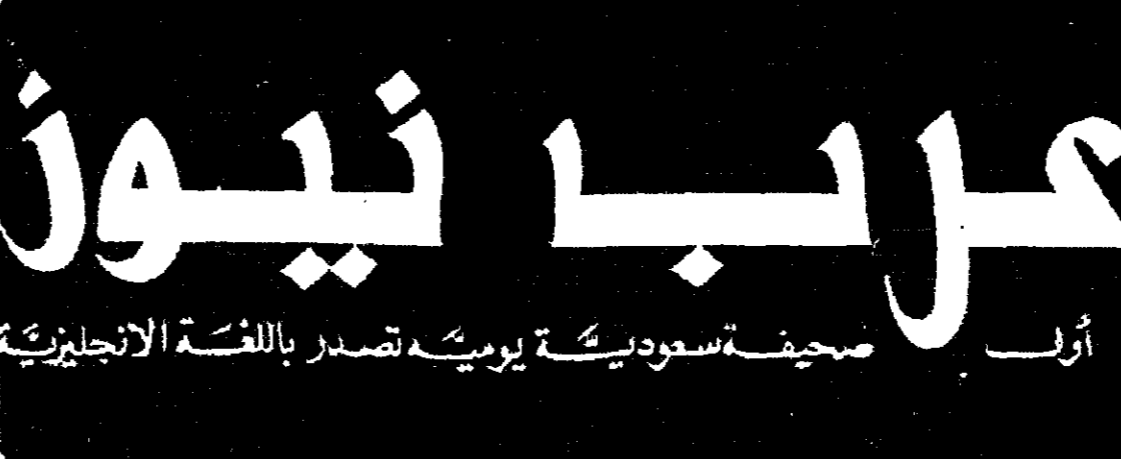
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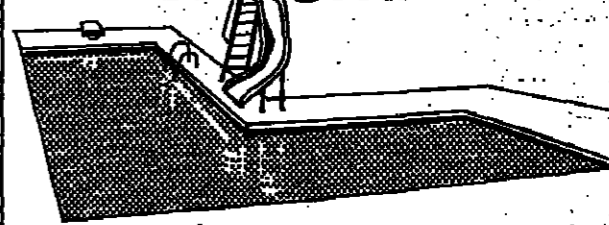
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Chinese to meet Soviets -- Maggie

PEKING, Sept. 24 (Agencies) — British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Friday China and the Soviet Union will hold talks next month but said China's strategic view of its Soviet rival has not changed in five years.

"I find the strategy of China toward the Soviet Union is the same as it has been," she told a press conference. In answer to a question she said she did not detect any change in China's relations with the Soviets since she last visited China in 1977.

Mrs. Thatcher, who is known for her tough stand against Soviet aggression, said that China and the Soviet Union would begin talks next month. She did not elaborate, but foreign diplomatic sources here say these will be exploratory political talks in Peking at the urging of the Soviet side.

China has been making limited improvements bilateral relations with the Soviet Union while at the same time denouncing Soviet hegemonism and saying it will not play the Russian card.

Mrs. Thatcher discussed international affairs with Chinese leaders and said Britain and China have very close views on many international issues. She said Chinese leaders discussed Sino-Soviet, Sino-U.S. and Sino-Japanese relations with her. They also discussed the Middle East, Afghanistan and South-east Asia, she said. Thatcher said she reaffirmed in the talks the fundamental strength of the North Atlantic Alliance.

Meanwhile, a joint statement issued after three days of discussions said Britain and China would start talks soon on the future of Hong Kong, the British colony of five million people over which Peking claims sovereignty.

Mitterrand gets negative rating

PARIS, Sept. 24 (AP) — For the first time since his election May 10, 1981, French President Francois Mitterrand has registered a negative popularity rating, according to a poll published Friday by *France-Soir*.

The newspaper, which used the polling firm IFOP, reported that 45 percent of the 1,960 voting-age French men and women questioned said they were either unhappy or very unhappy with Mitterrand's performance in office, while only 42 percent gave him favorable marks.

Thirteen percent of those questioned expressed no opinion, the poll said. In the July IFOP poll, Mitterrand had an overall favorable rating by a 41-40 percent mark, and in August his popularity had climbed to a 48-32 percent margin. Friday's published poll was taken Sept. 14-20.

In the same poll, 45 percent of those questioned were negative about Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy, while 40 percent were satisfied and 15 percent expressed no opinion.

The Mitterrand government is under fire from conservative critics over its handling of the French economy. The Socialists were forced to impose an unpopular wage and price freeze this spring in an attempt to curb inflation and shore up the franc, which has been devalued twice since they came to power.

Tokyo most expensive; Geneva pays highest wage

ZURICH, Switzerland, Sept. 24 (AP) — Tokyo is still the world's most expensive city, the highest salaries are paid in Geneva, apartment rents are highest in Abu Dhabi, a New York saleswoman has one of the world's shortest vacations and a bottle of Cola in Cairo or Jakarta costs four to five times as much as in Bombay.

This assortment of information is included in a 25,000-data survey published Friday by Union Bank of Switzerland — the country's largest — which regularly compares prices and earnings in 47 major cities throughout the world.

Costs for a market "basket" of goods and services are shown to be between 36 and 54 percent higher than the average, with Tokyo, 132, Abu Dhabi 119, Oslo, 118,

Helsinki and Caracas, both 109 leading the list. Mexico City, 52, Istanbul, 54 and Lisbon, 60, are at the bottom end, with Zurich, 100, used as base level. New York is also listed as 100. London as 91, Paris and Düsseldorf both at 83.

Abu Dhabi is far out in front — 196 against Tokyo 140 — of the list if rents are included. A modern "medium" four-room apartment in the capital of United Arab Emirates is \$2,950, according to the survey, more than six times the comparable rent paid in Luxembourg, Lisbon or Johannesburg.

The survey's compilation of wage and salary levels, taking into account 12 different occupations, puts Geneva at the top with 105, followed by San Francisco and

Chicago, 103. Paris and London are mid-fielders, 58 and 55. Manila, Jakarta and Bombay figure last with levels of 9.8, and 7 in this order.

The survey says that purchasing power is strongest in the United States. The index, based on prices and earnings, shows San Francisco heading a list of 28 selected Western cities with a level of 120, followed by Los Angeles 108.9 and Luxembourg 104.7. People can buy far less with their incomes in Paris, 70.2, London, 60.8 or Milan, 54.1.

The level of food prices in Tokyo, 181, is almost twice that of New York, 92, and even more than that in Brussels, 68, and Buenos Aires, 56, according to the survey. Meat in Tokyo can be up to ten times as expensive than in Jakarta and in Switzer-

land butter costs three times more than in Dublin or Luxembourg. Cola is most expensive in Cairo and Jakarta.

Among services, a car wash in Dublin or Bangkok is only about one-fourth of the minimum of \$5 drivers in Rio de Janeiro or Caracas have to pay. A woman's hairdressing salon charges less than \$5 in Manila or Singapore but between \$28 and 31 in New York, according to the survey.

Bus and subway tickets in London are more than twice as much as in Tokyo or in Brussels and Geneva has the stiffest cab fares. The survey lists top hotel prices for London, New York and Chicago, all at \$150 or more for a double room while the cheapest sleep can be found in Lisbon, \$51, and Madrid, \$54.

20 more hostages freed

Honduran siege said ending

SAN PEDRO SULA, Honduras, Sept. 24 (AP) — A top official says the government has faith the week-old siege at the chamber of commerce "is coming to an end," possibly by Saturday, following the release of 20 more hostages by leftist rebels.

One of the freed hostages said the guerrillas told their captives they would not be harmed. The gunmen still held two cabinet ministers and 37 prominent businessmen — fewer than half the number seized during the bloody Sept. 17 takeover of chamber headquarters.

"We have more faith to say now that it is coming to an end," a top government official who requested anonymity said Thursday. "They could leave tomorrow — I'm not sure."

The government denied earlier reports that an agreement had been reached with the guerrillas to fly them out of the country.

Papal nuncio Andrea Cordero Lanza, one

of the mediators, led 20 captives out of the building Thursday night. He brought 20 men out the previous night. A lone hostage was released Wednesday.

A guard was killed and two persons wounded when the heavily armed guerrillas seized the building during an economics conference. Presidential spokesman Amilcar Santamaría said the guerrillas' decision to free some captives was "evidence that negotiations between the government ... and the terrorist group are going well."

Santamaría said they also appeared more flexible about their key demand — the release of about 60 prisoners they contend are held for political reasons. The guerrillas' other terms were not made public.

Economy Minister Gustavo Adolfo Alfaro, Treasury Minister Arturo Corleto Moreira and Central Bank President Gonzalo Carías Pineda were among the captives still held early Friday.

Habib nominated for Nobel Prize

OSLO, Sept. 24 (R) — U.S. Middle East envoy Philip Habib, King Juan Carlos of Spain, and interned Polish union leader Lech Walesa are among 79 candidates for the 1982 Nobel Peace Prize, to be announced on Oct. 13, Nobel Institute Director Jakob Sverdrup said.

Sverdrup, speaking to Reuters, confirmed press reports about the list of candidates, though the Norwegian Nobel Committee which awards the coveted prize never reveals the names. Walesa, the Polish Solidarity leader who has been in internment since the declaration of martial law in December, was among the nominees for last year's peace prize, which went to the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

Earlier this year, Walesa received the Norwegian Fritt Ord (free speech) Prize, worth about \$17,000, which is normally awarded to Norwegians only. Others included in the list of individuals and organizations proposed for the 1982 Nobel Peace Prize are the Swedish humanist Raoul Wallenberg, who disappeared in the Soviet

Union after World War II, and the Swedish disarmament expert Alva Myrdal.

In recent weeks, the Nobel Committee has received dozens of letters demanding that the 1978 peace prize jointly awarded to Israel's Prime Minister Menachem Begin and the late President Sadat of Egypt be withdrawn from Begin because of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

Following the massacre of Palestinian refugees in Beirut last week, Norway's Socialist left and liberal parties added their voices to the demands. But under the rules of the committee, the prize once awarded cannot be withdrawn, committee Chairman Egil Aarvik said.

The peace prize has been awarded 62 times in 80 years. This year's prize is worth 1.25 million crowns (\$195,000). The prize money, together with the gold medal and diploma, will be handed to the winner on Dec. 10, the anniversary of the death of the institute's founder Alfred Nobel, the Swedish inventor of dynamite.

Ehrlichman recalls Nixon cover-up

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (R) — John Ehrlichman, a former top White House aide, says he knew early on that former President Richard Nixon was involved in a cover-up of the Watergate scandal and wishes he had forced him to "come clean."

In an article appearing in the forthcoming issue of *Parade* magazine, Nixon's former domestic affairs adviser also accuses ex-Secretary of State Henry Kissinger of leaking confidential information about foreign affairs in the hope of ingratiating himself with favored journalists.

Ehrlichman spent 18 months in prison for offenses related to the scandal. He maintained his innocence right up to his release in 1978. Now, he says, both he and the president knew that people taking part in Nixon's re-election campaign had broken into Democratic Party headquarters in the Watergate office complex in June 1972, and that White House aides were covering up the affair.

He says he investigated and turned over his incriminating findings to Nixon in April 1973, the same month he resigned his White House post under pressure.

"I should have gone to the U.S. attorney with them (his findings), Ehrlichman writes in retrospect. Moreover, he says, he himself helped to pass "hush money" to the imprisoned Watergate burglars, who were then keeping silent in a White House effort to stonewall investigators.

Against that background, he alleges that Nixon was in serious trouble by early 1973, and knew it: "In fact, in April of that year, I told him that I thought his impeachment was a possibility.... At times I think that, if I'd been wiser, I might have deflected the course of history by persuading or forcing Richard Nixon to come clean early in the episode."

Nixon resigned on Aug. 9, 1974, when Congress looked certain to impeach him.

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demonstrators also distributed leaflets calling Israel "the illegitimate child of America."

Zurich's Israeli community said it was "dismayed and horrified" over the Beirut massacre. A statement issued by the community's executive committee urged an investigation to punish those guilty.

In Oslo, the police used tear gas when driving back around demonstrators outside Israel's embassy Thursday night. Seven youths were arrested for throwing stones at policemen, some on horseback. The demonstration was started by youths breaking out of an earlier police-approved anti-Israeli demonstration by more than 2,000 people at Youngstorget, one of Oslo's central squares.

The meeting at Youngstorget was preceded by a torchlight parade where slogans like "Crush Begin," "Recognize PLO" and "Israel responsible for the massacres" were chanted.

Thailand also condemned the massacre and appealed to all parties concerned to respect civilian rights. A foreign ministry statement described the incident as brutal and condemned those involved. It demanded an immediate end to the use of violence against the people of Beirut.

In Washington, 12 women members of the

House of Representatives asked President Reagan to urge the Lebanese government to place Palestinian refugee camps under the supervision of an international organization. Saying they were horrified at the mass killings of residents of two camps, the Congresswomen wrote that the "civilized world must not tolerate this situation, especially when the nations of the world could do something about it."

"... Introducing an international agency at the same time that the multinational (peacekeeping) force is deployed would give the Palestinian refugees security and new hope," their letter added. "Moreover, Americans and others who wish to help in this humanitarian effort could participate through such an agency."

In Detroit, former U.S. President Jimmy Carter said Begin has made "a terrible mistake" by not demanding a thorough investigation of the massacres. In Detroit to promote a plan for a presidential library and museum, Carter called Begin "the obstructing force in preventing the truth being known" in the slaying of hundreds of civilians at refugee camps in Beirut.

kilometer Lebanon.

He said a speedy withdrawal of all foreign military forces has a top priority in setting the stage for national reconciliation and the beginning of a massive reconstruction program.

Gemayel's first act after taking over from outgoing President Elias Sarkis was to assume personally the command of the American, French and Italian peacekeeping forces in West Beirut, Lebanese state and privately owned radios reported. They said Gemayel summoned in the ambassadors of the United States, France and Italy along with military experts from the three nations and told them of his decision to assume personal charge of the peacekeeping operation.

Gemayel told the ambassadors a special military operations room has been set at the presidential palace in suburban Baabda, eight kilometers east of the capital, through which he plans to superintend the functions of the multinational force, the radios said. Meanwhile, U.S. President Ronald Reagan has congratulated Gemayel. "The American people join me in congratulating you upon your election. We are proud to stand beside your courageous nation as our

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friends in Lebanon." "In my Sept. 23 address to the American people, I restated the basic objectives of the U.S. relationship with Lebanon. First and foremost we seek the restoration of a strong and stable central government in Lebanon brought into being by orderly constitutional processes."

"Your election as president of Lebanon firmly on the path to national reconciliation behind a strong government with a broad mandate from the people of Lebanon. You have our pledge that the United States will remain a staunch partner and friend of Lebanon as you set out upon the difficult and challenging tasks ahead. The American nation and I extend to you and all Lebanese our very best wishes for the future."

In Tunis, Arab League Secretary-General Cheddi Klibi congratulated Amr Gemayel. He expressed the hope that Gemayel would "free Lebanon from the Israeli occupation in the shortest possible time" and ensure "the extension of Lebanese sovereignty over the whole country."

Klibi expressed the hope that Lebanon would recover "its pioneering role within the Arab family, thus bringing about the fall of Israeli conspiracies."



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Hong Kong	26	79	29	84	cloudy		Sydney	6	48	21	70	clear	
Jakarta	22	72	33	91	cloudy		Taipei	22	72	30	86	clear	
Kuala Lumpur	23	73	33	91	clear		Tokyo	17	63	22	72	cloudy	
London	11	52	18	64	cloudy		Toronto	13	55	19	66	cloudy	
Los Angeles	21	70	36	96	cloudy		Vancouver	13	55	19	66	cloudy	
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